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Skirts to suit everybody, from \$2.60 to \$15.00 each.
A first-class Skirt, well made, new stock, good value at \$3.50.....Sale Price, only \$2.59
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The remainder of our Stock.....Reduced 25 to 40 per cent.
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Here is a chance for you to get your supply of Flannelette before we raise our prices.
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Harold

At a special meeting of the ratepayers of the section on Monday Mr. C. B. McGuire was elected trustee in place of Mr. Vance, who resigned to become a member of the township Council.

Mrs. Ruppall has returned from Wingham, leaving her niece in much improved health.

Miss Clela Heath went to Toronto last week for an examination at the Conservatory of Music. Her name appears in the Globe as one of the successful candidates. On her return trip she spent a few days at Dr. Sargent's, Colborne.

Miss Beatrice Martin spent last week with her grandparents at Bellview.

Mrs. Archer and grandchild of Marjorie were visitors at Mr. John Bailey's last week.

Miss Popplewell has left us, and Mr. Young of Stirling is now our teacher.

Mrs. Lloyd and family and Mrs. T. Cook spent Sunday at Mr. Cook's at Ivanhoe.

Mrs. McDonald is in Stirling with her daughter, Mrs. Neal, who is ill.

Mrs. Cranston and Mrs. Geo. Bailey attended the funeral of the late J. K. Maynes of Tweed.

Mr. John Tanner has returned home after spending a few weeks in Syracuse and other U. S. towns.

Miss Gordanier of Belleville is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jas. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Reid of Campbellford were visitors over Sunday at his parents here.

Miss Pearl Clancy was the guest of Miss Flossie Heath last week.

From another Correspondent.

The Seymour Power Co. have a great many men working in this vicinity, but it will be some time before the line will be working, owing to the delay in getting supplies.

Mr. T. B. Stapley of Edmonton visited at Mr. S. Woodward's recently.

Miss Ivah Reid, who has been visiting in Belleville and vicinity for the past month, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Borwick visited at Elm-Hurst on Sunday.

Miss Hadel Anderson of Belleville is visiting at S. W. Dracup's and vicinity.

Mrs. John Hay is visiting in Seymour and other places.

Madoc Junction Items

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Clarke spent Sunday in Stirling.

Mrs. Bennett returned home yesterday from Rev. G. E. Ross's, West Huntingdon. We are pleased to hear that our pastor is able to be around again.

Mr. and Mr. P. Carr of Lindsay are renewing acquaintances here.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Eggleton and daughter Mabel returned from the West on the 24th. We are glad to have them with us again.

Mr. Andrews spent a few days in Toronto and Brechin recently.

Mr. St. John, who has had charge of the night offices here relieved Mr. Andrews's while he was on the sick list.

Mr. St. John is now relieving the agent at Keene. The night office closed last week, and Mr. Graham, the night operator, returned to Peterboro.

Mr. Merfield who had charge of the night office here last spring is relieving the agent at Brechin, who is taking holidays.

We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Cook and all our sick people are improving.

Mr. Burke gave a splendid discourse here last Sunday afternoon.

Quite a number from here attended a party recently where pickles were served on toothpicks.

Halloway

Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd and baby Mildred of the 3rd con. of Sidney, visited relatives here this week.

Miss Kate Whitehouse of Roslin is visiting at the home of Mr. R. B. McMullen.

Revival services are being conducted for two weeks at Halloway church.

There is much sickness in the neighborhood and several cases of measles.

The S. S. Convention at Zion's Hill on Friday last was much appreciated by the large audience both afternoon and evening. Mr. H. Pringle gave an excellent address on "What constitutes a successful S. S. teacher."

About \$160 was realized at the Marmora Methodist church anniversary on Sunday and Monday, Jan. 23 and 24.

The ninth Day of Quinze Conference Epworth League biennial convention will open in the Methodist church, Cobourg, on Tuesday, Feb. 8th at 3 p.m. the opening exercises being conducted by the Conference officers.

An attack of the gripe is often followed by a persistent cough, which in many cases proves a great annoyance. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been extensively used with good success for the relief and cure of this cough. Many cases have been cured after all other remedies had failed. Sold by all dealers.

Minto

A few of our young people spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. Chas. Munby on Jan. 25th.

Mr. and Miss Torrey, Miss Ethel Striker and Mr. Kirk spent Sunday at Mr. Richard Clements.

The members of our Literary Society are looking forward to a very instructive address from Mr. Howland, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Stirling, next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. E. Fair and daughter Bertha of Stirling, visited at Mr. P. W. Hagerman's last Saturday and Sunday.

La grippe has been taking its rounds. We are pleased that Mr. B. C. Tucker has recovered from his recent illness.

Mrs. Sables improves in health very slowly.

Miss Lena Hagerman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Horton, of Sidney.

After a long and tedious illness Mrs. John W. Hagerman passed away on the evening of Jan. 26th. Much sympathy is felt for the sorrowing husband and son, yet we rejoice that the loss which is felt by her many friends is an eternal gain for her. The funeral service, which was largely attended, was held in Stirling Methodist church the following Friday afternoon.

St. Pleasant

We are pleased to hear that our teacher, Miss Williams, is getting better.

Mr. Fred Jeffs and daughter Grace attended the funeral of Mr. John Maynes on Friday last.

Mr. Will Heath and sister Clela were the guests of Miss Myrtle Potts on Sunday last.

Miss Annie Summers has returned from Burnbrae, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Bertha Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson are spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. R. Summers, Warsaw.

Mr. Mellor of South Dummer occupied the pulpit here on Sunday afternoon and preached a very interesting sermon on "Temptation."

Mr. Jas. Sharp, Jr., is making preparations for a new barn, as is also Mr. Ed. Montgomery.

Mrs. Wm. Emmons, sr., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Teal, near Lindsay.

A number of our young people attended Sunday evening service at Wellman's Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Summers spent last Friday with their daughter, Mrs. W. Johnson at Minto.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams have returned from visiting their daughter, Mrs. David of Northport.

Mrs. Claude Sharp is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Weaver.

Mr. Earl McAdam is on the sick list.

Oak Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Wooler visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Redick, several weeks recently.

Hauling ice is the order of the day.

Mrs. S. B. Roblin and children were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McKeown, jr., of Bellview last week.

Mr. Thos. McKeown, jr., visited his parents at Bellview recently.

Mr. Archie Hatfield attended the district Orange meeting at Madoc on Tuesday last.

We are pleased to say that Mr. Wm. Robinson, who was seriously injured in a runaway in Stirling, is improving slightly.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Chapman visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred MacEwen of Corbyville on Sunday.

Mrs. Benson Searles, who has been confined to the house for some time with blood poisoning, is improving.

IMPROVING EACH YEAR

The delightful Canadian Illustrated magazine the 'Canadian Pictorial', which is to Canada something of what the 'Illustrated News' or the 'Graphic' are to England, continues to improve with each year of its existence. While Canadian pictures generally predominate, plenty of illustrations are given of events and scenes the world over, so as to merit its claim to give 'News by Views.' Short complete stories, music, and well edited departments add to the interest.

The quality of the photographs, the exquisite enameled paper, and the fine printing cannot be fully appreciated unless you actually see it, but it is undoubtedly a credit to Canadian journalism. It certainly was a tribute to merit when the Montreal Carnival Committee this year, as last, unanimously accorded to the 'Canadian Pictorial' the honor of having the exclusive right to issue the OFFICIAL CARNAVAL SOUVENIR. Last year's CARNAVAL SOUVENIR was an astounding success. This year's issue, at the same low price of fifteen cents, promises to be even better.

The 'Canadian Pictorial' is issued monthly by the 'Pictorial' Publishing Company, 142 St. Peter street (Witnens' Building) Montreal, and the subscription rate is \$1.00 a year. The 'Canadian Pictorial' and the News-Argus one year each for only \$1.00.

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The Weekly Mail & Empire, 1.80	
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The Toronto Star (Daily).....	2.25
The Toronto Globe (Daily).....	4.50
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DEATH AND DESTITUTION

Despatches From London and Paris Tell of Fearful Havoc of Gale and Wind.

A despatch from London says: Partial returns received on Thursday from European seaports show that fully 200 vessels, mostly small fishing craft, have been lost in the storm of the last 48 hours, and that there has been loss of life in the sinking of at least half of these boats.

Italy, Spain, Germany, and the Scandinavian countries all report tremendous loss in property and life, with a greatly increased death toll feared from the isolation of many towns by high water and snow blockades. The situation is the most appalling that Europe has known in many years.

PARIS PARTLY AFLOAT.

A despatch from Paris says: With the thermometer below freezing point and the relentless river Seine continuing its devastating progress toward the top of the retaining walls, Paris awoke on Thursday to what may prove the most terrible day in her history, aside from the crisis presented by war.

Miles of her boulevards, one of the city's chief points of pride, have been washed away; many of the most notable structures in the city, to see which travelers have been wont to come from the corners of the earth, have already suffered heavy loss and are in danger of collapse; fifty thousand are homeless and subsisting on scant provisions furnished by the city, the industrial life of the city is completely suspended, and the one thought in the minds of the people is the imminence of a staggering calamity that may yet come, if the Seine continues to rise.

For once Paris has been sobered. The gay mood that permitted the people to look on the flood in its early stages as a spectacle for their entertainment has departed, and grim fear is now in the hearts of everyone, and is plainly written in the faces of all.

Every subway in Paris—and Paris has more underground tunnels of one sort and another, than any city in the world—is now flooded. This is the cause of the enormous damage, a damage that in Paris alone is likely to run over \$100,000,000. These subterranean rivers have caused the collapse of scores of streets, and are responsible for the water that now stands in varying depths over nearly half of the city.

Engineers declared on Thursday that if the waters immediately subside, it will take two years to repair the damage done in Paris' underground world.

Police and soldiers are literally driving hundreds of the poor from their homes in the inundated sections. Scores of these houses have already tumbled in.

Public halls, churches, school buildings, and even such magnificent structures as the Pantheon are being converted into refuges for the poor. Through the co-operation of the police, soldiers and Red Cross societies the thousands of destitute are being fairly well fed. Owing to the scarcity of food, coffee and rolls are the principal items in the rations. Huge coffee boilers are steaming on many of the street corners.

Early on Thursday the police found a woman, driven insane by the flood, and her five small children almost frozen on the top of the Butte Chaumont in Park Hill. Her case is but typical of hundreds of others.

Future provision for the thousands who have been rendered absolute destitute by the flood presents a serious economic problem, though just now the authorities are concerned wholly with the present. It is a question of saving life now.

A WEIRD SPECTACLE.

On Friday night the city presented a weird spectacle, the soldiers, sailors, firemen and police hastily constructing temporary walls by the light of camp fires and torches in an endeavor to keep out the invading floods, while pickets patrol those sections of the city which are plunged in darkness by the bursting of the gas mains and the stoppage of the electric light plants.

The situation in the Place de l'Opera is grave. The entire territory has been roped off as unsafe. It is said also that the new Equitable Life Assurance building is in danger of collapse.

BLOWING UP THE STREETS.

The devastation has now penetrated the very heart of Paris; the gorges, rivers and sewers underneath are literally blowing up the streets, and the area of the surface overflowed by the water of the Seine has been doubled. Twelve of the twenty-five bridges over the river have been closed, and the quays on either side from one city to the other are either inundated or have been roped off as unsafe.

The Esplanade Des Invalides is a sheet of water. The turgid flood has crept back almost to the Jardin du Luxembourg on its left bank and invaded the Place de la Concorde, which is closed and guarded by soldiers, and the lower Champs Elysees on the right bank.

Disaster followed disaster during the day. A gaping chasm opened in the lower Champs Elysees, engulfing a cart and two men. One of the men was rescued, but the other with the horse was swept away to his death.

A CITY OF SLIME.

Papers are filled with pages of pitiful and terrifying details. War would hardly play such havoc. The city of light has become a city of slime filled with muddy waters. Business is almost at a standstill, and the hotels are crowded with persons who have fled from inundated homes.

The prices of necessities are advancing by leaps and bounds as the paralysis of transportation facilities entering the city extends. Within the city there is practically no means of transportation except by cabs and taxi-autos, the owners of which charge fabulous prices.

FLOODS REDEED

While the most imminent peril is over, the fall of the Seine since Sunday morning has only measured 15 1/2 inches. At this rate it would require a fortnight for the river to reach its normal level. Fortunately, tidings from the flooded sections above Paris give hope of a more rapid subsidence.

In the meantime, the situation in Paris and in many places throughout the country, shows little improvement. Indeed, the ravages of the flood within the city seemed actually to increase on Sunday. The water was higher in some parts, while the situation at the inundated towns between Paris and St. Germain was distinctly graver.

A stream of water 12 feet deep was rushing through Grennevilliers and Colombes, making the work of rescue more difficult. Several of the houses collapsed, and many persons were taken off the roofs of their homes, where they had been clinging for days.

Hundreds are reported without food or shelter, and all day an army of troops and civilians worked in the flooded territory distributing provisions by boats to the thousands of victims who refused to quit their homes.

EIGHT WERE KILLED.

A Bad Wreck on an English Railway Line.

A despatch from London says: One of the most serious railway accidents in England since the disaster to the steamer train at Salisbury in July, 1906, occurred at Stot's Nest Station, near London, on the London and Brighton Railway on Saturday afternoon. Eight dead and about thirty injured were taken from the wreck. Two third-class and a Pullman of a train from Brighton, travelling at a speed of forty miles an hour, crashed into the station. The third-class cars were completely wrecked and a part of the building was demolished. The Pullman was thrown violently into the air, but was comparatively little damaged. Its passengers escaped with minor injuries.

ECHO OF RAILWAY WRECK.

Geo. Tees, Bereaved by C. P. R. Disaster, Loses Wife.

A despatch from North Bay says: On Friday morning a casket left North Bay for Bruce Mines, accompanied by George A. Tees, of Cochrane. The casket contained the body of his wife, who died in North Bay hospital on Thursday, and as the train passed over the Spanish River bridge his mind was tortured by memory of the calamity which happened at the same hour of the same day, one week ago, when his little daughter, Clara, and his father-in-law went down to death with other victims of the wreck. Unable to attend the funeral of his only daughter or father-in-law, he sat by the bedside of his dying wife till the end. Mrs. Tees was only twenty-five years of age and was operated upon only a few days before the accident, of which she was kept in ignorance.

MANY MORE WARSHIPS.

Great Britain's Naval Estimates Provide Large Additions.

A despatch from Portsmouth says: In well-informed naval circles it is understood that the next British naval estimates will provide for four Dreadnoughts, two armored cruisers, twenty-four torpedo-boat destroyers, ten submarines, and 5,000 additional men.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

York County Council propose to reforest waste lands.

Ayrshire breeders say cattle are needed in the west.

The uniform for the Provincial police has been selected.

A new radial railway from Orillia to Toronto is proposed.

The "abstain-from-meat" movement has been inaugurated in Toronto.

Many new mining concerns for the Porcupine district have been formed.

The Manitoba Legislature has been summoned to meet on February 10.

Arnold Shoebottom of London township was killed by falling through a trapdoor in the barn.

A large body of excellent coal is reported to have been struck at the north end of Vancouver Island.

The Provincial Government will secure part of Lord Strathcona's grant for physical training in schools.

Mrs. W. Oulton was burned to death in a fire at Amherst, N. S., that destroyed the Black printing establishment on Friday.

Mr. William L. Grant, son of the late Principal, has been appointed to the new chair of colonial history at Queen's University.

Mr. A. W. Campbell, Deputy Minister of Public Works for Ontario, has been appointed Deputy Minister of Railways at Ottawa, to succeed Mr. M. J. Butler.

Henry Rumpel, T. H. & B. engineer, was killed at Hamilton when his engine jumped the track on Sunday. The engine and tender were burned.

Through the reindeer going north into Alaska instead of to their usual winter grazing grounds near Hudson's Bay the Mackenzie River Indians were left on the verge of starvation.

The family of J. Kurtzman of Hamilton had a narrow escape from their burning house on Sunday morning. Three hundred dollars in money and some jewellery was included in the loss.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Unionists now have 270 members, the Liberals 272, the Laborites 40 and the Nationalists 82.

UNITED STATES.

Two Buffalo women captured a burglar after a fierce fight.

A woman was murdered in Cincinnati by being roasted to death on a gas stove.

Frederick Marx, who discovered the process of making paper out of wood pulp, is dead near Utica.

Lightning struck a barren spot on a Texas farm and revealed an oil well that has a flow of 200 barrels a day.

President Taft has decided to press the suit looking to the dissolution of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger.

Plans are in the process of completion for the creation of a copper merger, which will control the entire output of copper in the United States.

The St. Paul mine at Cherry, Ill., in which over three hundred miners lost their lives in November and which was sealed up in an attempt to extinguish the flames, will be opened this week.

GENERAL.

The new Imperial Legislative Council of India met for the first time on Tuesday.

The Newfoundland Government will draw a substantial revenue from the island's hematite mines.

REACHING TO THE COAST.

Track-Laying on the Grand Trunk Pacific.

A despatch from Montreal says: At the G. T. P. offices figures have been given showing that 923 miles of steel are now down on the main line west of Winnipeg. This is more than half way from Winnipeg to the coast. Taking off a hundred miles on the west end, where steel is being laid now, and adding it to the finished line, would make 1,023 miles of track down, out of 1,750 miles west of Winnipeg, leaving only a little over 700 miles of road to be completed to open the way to Prince Rupert.

COMET "A" OF 1910.

Must Not be Confused With Halley's Comet.

A despatch from Shanghai says: The new comet discovered in Johannesburg, South Africa, which is known as "Comet A of 1910," and by many has been confused with Halley's comet, was sighted by the observatory here on Wednesday night. It was seen about one hour and fifty minutes before the appearance of the planet Venus.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 1.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, \$4.30 to \$4.35 in buyers' sacks on track; Toronto, and \$4.20 to \$4.25 outside, in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, \$5.70 on track; Toronto; second patents, \$5.70 on track; Toronto; second patents, \$5.20 to \$5.30, and strong bakers', \$5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.13, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern, \$1.11 1/2, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 mixed \$1.07, and No. 2 white and red \$1.03 outside.

Barley—No. 2 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed, 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 37 to 38c outside, and 40 to 40 1/2c on track, Toronto. Canada West oats, 42 to 42 1/2c for No. 2, and 41 to 41 1/2c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—No. 2 to 86c outside.

Rye—No. 2, 66 to 67c outside.

Buckwheat—53c high freights, and 54c low freights.

Corn—New kiln-dried, 76 to 77c, and No. 3 new yellow selected, 73 1/2c, Toronto freights.

Bran—\$22 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, \$23.50 in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—\$2.50 to \$4 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, \$1.65 to \$1.70, and small lots here at \$1.90 to \$2.

Honey—Combs, dozen, \$2.25 to \$3; extracted, 10 1/2c per lb.

Baled Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$13.50 to \$14, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$13.50 on track, Toronto.

Baled Straw—\$7.50 on track, 10-ronto.

Potatoes—47 to 50c per bag on track for Ontario.

Poultry—Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowls, 10 to 11c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 21 to 22c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27 to 28c, and solids, 26 to 26 1/2c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 33c per dozen, and storage, 25c per dozen.

Cheese—12 1/2c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 14 1/2 to 15c per lb in case lots; mess pork, \$27 to \$27.50; short cut, \$29 to \$29.50.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 1/2 to 16c; do., heavy, 14 1/2 to 15c; rolls, 14 to 14 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 17 1/2 to 18c.

Lard—Tierces, 15 1/2c tubs, 16c; pails, 16 1/2c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 1.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 45 to 46 1/2c; No. 2, 44 to 44 1/2c; Ontario No. 2, white 43c; Ontario No. 3, white, 42c; Ontario No. 4, white, 41c. Barley—No. 2, 68 to 69c; Manitoba feed barley, 53 to 55c. Flour—Manitoba; Spring wheat patents, 85c; do., seconds, \$5.30; Winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', \$5.10; straight rollers, \$5.10 to \$5.20; straight rollers, in bags, \$2.40 to \$2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, \$25.50 to \$26; Ontario middling, \$25.50 to \$26; Manitoba bran, \$25.50; Manitoba shorts, \$23; pure grain mouille, \$31 to \$33; mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29. Cheese—Westerns, 11 1/2 to 12c, and easterns, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 25 1/2 to 26c, and fresh receipts, 24 to 25c. Eggs—Selected new laid, 33 to 40c; selected No. 1 stock, 30 to 32c, and No. 1 candled 27 to 28c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

St. Louis, Feb. 1.—Wheat, May, \$1.11 1/2; January, \$1.00 1/2.

Duluth, Feb. 1.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, \$1.13 1/2; No. 1 Northern, \$1.12 1/2; No. 2 Northern, \$1.10 1/2; May, \$1.12 1/2 bid; July, \$1.12 1/2 nominal.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 1.—Prime beefs sold at 5 1/2 to 6c per lb.; pretty good animals, 4 to 5c; common stock, 2 1/2 to 4c per lb.; large milch cows, \$65 each; other cows, \$30 to \$35 each. Calves, 3 1/2 to 6c per lb. Sheep, about 4 1/2c per lb. lambs, 6 1/2 to 7c. Good lots of fat hogs about 9c per lb.

Toronto, Feb. 1.—The top-notch price paid for picked steers of the export class was \$5.85, and these were bought for local killing; \$5 to \$5.50 was the prevailing prices for good to choice cullers.

Stockers and feeders were strong, one straight load averaging 900 lbs.

THE FINANCES OF ONTARIO

Statement of the Treasurer Laid Before the Legislature.

A despatch from Toronto says: Ontario's revenue for the fiscal year of 1909 which was only 10 months, totalled \$7,477,924.94, while the expenditure was \$7,545,540.40. The changing of the fiscal year to end on October 31 last year thus cutting out the two chief revenue-producing months of the year is responsible for this deficit.

The chief items of revenue are subsidies from the Dominion Government, \$2,128,772.08; interest on investments, \$102,766.22, as compared with \$64,931.68 last year.

Lands, forests and mines, \$2,023,224.48, as compared with \$2,430,430.38. From licenses, \$353,925.06, as compared with \$377,771.11 last year; from law stamps, \$83,155.55 as compared with \$95,695.15 last year; from game and fisheries \$8,347.35 as compared with \$101,052.56; agriculture, \$104,956.42 as compared with \$87,792.05 last year; from succession duties, \$618,049.02 as compared with \$1,154,898.83; T. and N. O. earnings, \$550,009 as

compared with \$250,000 last year. From corporations there was collected in taxes \$710,146.09 as compared with \$695,482.31 last year.

Civil government for the past fiscal year of ten months cost \$457,850.64; legislation, \$221,221; administration of justice, \$539,124.19; education, \$1,452,102.11; public institution maintenance, \$909,311.01; Central Prison industries, \$48,484.22; colonization and immigration, \$34,203.84; agriculture, \$493,410.19; hospitals and charities, \$340,589.92; colonization roads, \$449,209.66; charges on crown lands, \$503,296.81; commutation volunteer veterans' land grants, \$8,050.

Payments on open accounts were:—Hospitals for Insane, \$160,900.55; Mercer Reformatory, \$6,656.47; Central Prison, \$3,525.04; Osgoode Hall, \$21,565.25; Normal schools, \$57,441.18; Agricultural College, \$12,269.58; common school lands, \$4,377.76; criminal investigations, \$3,890.18; aid to railways, \$35,000.

selling at \$5.15. Milkers and springers were steady at recent quotations. Calves were firm. Sheep and lambs steady, with a tendency to weaker prices for lambs. Hogs unchanged at \$3.25 f.o.b. and \$3.50 fed and watered for selects.

\$90,000,000 WORTH.

Money Value to Canada of American Invasion.

A despatch from Washington says: More than \$90,000,000 worth of Americans were exported to Canada last year. That, at least, is the effect of emigration from the United States to Canada in 1909, according to the report of U. S. Consul Conant at Windsor, Ont.

The total number of emigrants from the United States for the year was 20,148, and the Canadian Immigration Commissioner has estimated that the average wealth of these American settlers was \$1,000.

"There are several reasons advanced by authorities for the large increase of immigration into Canadian territory," says Consul Conant, "but the one given the most credence is the easy manner in which homestead lands can be obtained, and the inducements held out to prospective settlers."

A NEW KING FOR INDIA.

Conspirators Planned to Establish a Government.

A despatch from Lahore, British India, says: It developed at the trial on Wednesday of an alleged Indian conspirator that the plans of the conspiracy against the British Indian Government included the establishment of an independent kingdom with a King, an Imperial Council of five, a House of Princes, and a House of Commons, the latter having a membership of thirty. The seat of government was to be at Delhi.

KEEP LIQUOR OUT.

Proposal to Regulate Transportation in Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says: In the Senate on Tuesday Sir R. W. Scott introduced a bill to regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors, forbidding any transportation company or individual to carry liquor into any Province, county, city, or municipality which has declared for prohibition for use in such places. An exception is made, allowing an individual to bring in liquor to the amount of five gallons for his own use. There is another exception in favor of Provinces to enable liquor to be taken in for sale under medical prescriptions or for industrial purposes.

BIG SEIZURE OF FURS.

Hudson's Bay Company's Shipment Tied Up at Ottawa.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The biggest seizure of furs ever made in Ottawa took place on Wednesday morning at the Union Depot, when District Game Inspector T. E. Loveday confiscated a bale of furs valued at \$6,000. The bale contained furs of all descriptions, and was consigned to the Hudson's Bay Company at its headquarters in London. The shipment was on the Soo train, which arrived in Ottawa early Wednesday morning. It was shipped in the north.

EARL CARRINGTON NAMED.

May Succeed Earl Grey as Governor-General.

A despatch from London says: It is now stated that the Earl of Carrington will succeed Earl Grey as Governor-General of Canada.

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COUNTY COUNCIL

The County Council opened its first session at Belleville on Tuesday of last week. As was noted in these columns last week, Mr. W. R. Mather, Reeve of Stirling, was unanimously elected Warden.

The Warden, on taking the chair, gave an address, reviewing briefly some of the main items of business which would come before them during the session.

The Clerk read a number of communications which were referred to the various committees.

WEDNESDAY'S SESSIONS

A large number of communications were read, among them one from the Salvation Army and one from the Prisoners' Aid Association of Toronto, each asking for a small grant. No action taken.

The Secretary of the Ontario Good Roads Association wrote stating that the next meeting would be held in Toronto on March 23rd and 24th and asked that a delegation be appointed to attend.

Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Ketcheson, that the communication be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. Carried.

A communication was read from Mr. A. W. Campbell, Deputy Minister of the Department of Public Works, stating that the examination of the county roads in Hastings had proved to have been done quite satisfactorily, but on the other hand there were a number of defects, especially owing to the lack of efficient machinery. A steam road roller was badly needed as well as new graders. The matter was referred to Road and Bridges Committee.

A communication from the National Sanitarium Association asking for the usual grant was received and filed.

A detailed report of the receipts and expenditures of the County for 1909 was read and adopted. It was signed by the auditors, Messrs. C. W. Thompson and W. C. Farley.

A lengthy report was presented by the Superintendent of Roads and Bridges, which recommended the rebuilding of several bridges and the repairing of several others. Referred to Roads and Bridges Committee.

Mr. C. Wright, Chairman of the House of Refuge Committee, presented a report for the past year. It showed that during the year there were 59 inmates; 7 of this occurred; 8 absconded, 5 of whom returned; of the inmates 10 were blind, and one was blind, deaf and dumb. The expenditure for the year was \$6,725, and the receipts, including sale of some produce, \$1,900. The report eulogized the Superintendent, Mr. T. E. Wilson, and recommended that they receive an increase in salary. To the report was added Dr. Clinton's report, as physician, which showed that during the year he made 240 visits. He asked for an increase in salary.

The report was referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Ketcheson moved, seconded by Mr. White, that the County Solicitor be instructed to procure if possible an amendment to the House of Refuge by-law compelling indigent persons to go to that institution.

The mover instanced three cases in Sidney township of indigent persons who would not go to the House of Refuge and are being supported by the township Council and neighbors.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

Moved by Mr. Vermilyea, seconded by Mr. Newton, that the County of Hastings request the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to issue an order terminating the agreement dated 21st September, 1905, between the County of Hastings and the town of Trenton and ending on the 31st day of December, 1909, re the amount of town of Trenton is to pay the County of Hastings yearly for the use of the Court House, jail, registry office and other County offices, the expense of registry office and the expense of the administration of justice, heating, lighting, and care of the said building, the maintenance of prisoners, salaries, etc. Carried.

Mr. Vermilyea moved, seconded by Mr. Sills, that the County House of Refuge Committee be composed of Messrs. Newton, Kells, and the Warden. Carried.

Mr. Sills moved, seconded by Mr. Maloney, that the Finance and Public Property Committee be composed of Messrs. Vermilyea, Ketcheson, Clarke, Thompson and the Warden. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Dryden, seconded by Mr. Bowly, that the County accept the amount of the county levy from the town of Deseronto less the interest if paid on or before the 15th of February, 1910. Carried.

Mr. Ketcheson moved, seconded by Mr. Springer, that Mr. Cook, reeve of Hastings, be Chairman of the Gravel Roads Committee for 1910. Carried.

THURSDAY'S SESSIONS

A communication was read from Mr. Mather upon his election to the Warden's chair. Ordered to be acknowledged.

Mr. B. Mallory, County Treasurer, asked the Council to assume the payment of the bond he is compelled to furnish the county. Referred to Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Hanley introduced a by-law to appoint a Board of Management for the House of Refuge.

Mr. Ketcheson introduced a by-law to authorize the borrowing of a certain sum of money to meet current expenses. Mr. Kirk introduced a by-law to appoint a committee on the administration of justice and also to appoint High School trustees.

Mr. F. B. Gunter of Wollaston moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, that the boundary bridge between Hastings and Peterborough counties over Deer river be repaired on condition that both counties assume the equal cost. In open Council it was unanimously decided to grant \$100 towards the cost, and Mr. Gunter at once notified the Clerk of the Peterborough Council, which is now in session. Mr. Gunter, of Tudor and Cashel, moved, seconded by Mr. Hannah, that the county reimburse the township

council to the sum of \$230 expended on bridge over the Moira river between Madoc township and Tudor and Cashel. Referred to Ways and Means Committee, when the amount was granted.

Mr. Gunter was congratulated upon the economic way the work was done. Mr. Vermilyea thought that the chairman of Bridges should make a very careful examination of all the county bridges and especially those spoken of by Superintendent Bleecker. He then introduced a motion, seconded by Mr. Newton, that a committee composed of the chairman, Newton, Kirk and Hanley be appointed to inspect the bridges and see what repairs were necessary.

The motion carried. Dr. Bowly moved, seconded by Mr. Dryden, that a committee be appointed to take up the matter of the inspection of the Indian schools of the county of Hastings and which inspection has heretofore been paid for by the county, to find out how long these schools were so inspected and paid for, with a view to asking the Indian Department of the Dominion Government to reimburse the county for their outlay and to report at the June session of the Council. The motion passed, when the Warden appointed the following committee: Messrs. Dryden, Dr. Bowly and Vermilyea.

Mr. John Johnston, for many years Inspector of Schools for South Hastings, made an application for a gratuity owing to his long service. He was retired in 1907, after serving thirty-six years and a half. He stated that the Department of Education had no power to make a grant, but that the County Council had power to do so.

Moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. McLaren, that this Council instruct the Finance and Public Property Committee to seek an interview with the City Committee in the hope that the difference in the matter of the administration of justice may be settled without legislation. Failing settlement to recommend the appointment of the County Judge as sole arbitrator. Carried.

Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Kirk, that Messrs. Cook, Clarke, and the mover be a committee to wait upon the County Solicitor and ascertain his opinion in reference to the liability of owners of traction engines who do not use planks in crossing bridges, and also get his opinion as to how the act should be amended when it does not appear clear in reference to such cases. Carried.

Grants were made to the northern municipalities for roads outside of county gravel roads as follows:

Limerick, Mayo, Wollaston, Faraday, Dunganon, \$262.50 each; Tudor and Cashel \$262.50; Montclair and Herschel \$325; Bangor et al \$225; Baneroff village \$200.

It was agreed that these should be the only grants outside of county gravel roads this year, except in case of some calamity.

On motion the following grants were made to the school inspectors: H. J. Clarke \$50 for postage and \$250 for travelling expenses; Mr. Mackintosh \$60 for postage and \$218 for travelling expenses; Mr. Ingall \$10 for postage and \$180 for travelling expenses.

No action was taken on the request of Mr. Mallory that the Council pay the premium on his bond.

The usual grants were made to schools in the northern townships.

The engineer who runs the crusher asked for an increase of salary from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per day. Referred to chairman of roads and Bridges and County Superintendent.

A petition was presented from Frontenac county asking concurrence in a petition to the Legislature to purchase a steam road roller for each county desiring the same. A motion was passed concurring in the petition.

FRIDAY'S SESSIONS

Mr. E. J. Butler addressed the Council. He stated that it was the intention of the Dominion Government to expropriate about four acres of land belonging to the county on the line of the Trent Valley Canal, and the Government would reimburse the county by giving them an equal amount of land for road purposes. The matter was deferred for further consideration.

A by-law was passed appointing the Warden and Messrs. Newton and Sills a Board of Management for the House of Refuge.

A by-law appointing Mr. N. Vermilyea auditor for the administration of justice accounts.

A by-law appointing High School trustees as follows: Stirling, G. W. Faulkner, M. D.; Madoc, W. Fuller and N. Green; Deseronto, H. G. Bogert; Trenton, Jas. Harry.

A by-law was introduced authorizing the borrowing of \$65,000 to meet current expenditures.

On motion the matter of transferring a certain piece of road to the Government for the Trent Canal was left in the hands of the Finance and Public Property Committee.

The matter of increasing the salaries of the Superintendent and Matron of the House of Refuge was left over until the June session.

An account of \$187 from the Children's Aid Society for maintenance of neglected children was passed.

Mr. Vermilyea moved, seconded by Mr. Hubbe, that certain portions of lands along the construction of the Trent Canal in Sidney township be transferred to the Dominion Government upon condition that the Government place the road in a satisfactory condition to the county. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Vermilyea, seconded by Mr. Kells, that hereafter when a stone, cement, iron or steel bridge requires to be built in this county the Supervising Committee shall consist of the Chairman of Roads and Reeve and Deputy-Reeve (as the case may be) of the municipality in which such bridge is being constructed. Carried.

In committee on by-laws the amount to be borrowed by the county was reduced to \$57,000 instead of \$65,000.

The report of the Superintendent of bridges was read. It recommended the rebuilding of some bridges and repairing of others. The report recommended the purchase of a steam roller, one-third of the cost of which would be borne by the Provincial Department of Public Works. After discussion this was left over until the June session.

Moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Maloney, that the following members of the Council, viz.: Messrs. Kells, Bowly, Kirk, White, Vermilyea, Ketcheson, Cook, and the Warden be a delegation from the county to act in conjunction with a committee of the Stirling School Board to attend on call before the Minister of Agriculture for Ontario in an endeavor to secure Gov-

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(b) Prevents or obstructs the sending, conveyance or delivery of any communication by any such telegraph, telephone or fire-alarm, or the transmission of electricity for any such electric light, or for any such purpose as aforesaid.

2—Any one who wilfully by any overt act, attempts to commit any such offence, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, or to three months' imprisonment, with or without hard labour.—R. S. C. c. 168, ss. 40 and 41.

To constitute an offence the act must be done without legal justification or excuse and without color or right.—Sec. 48 (2).

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ernment consent to the establishment of Agricultural Classes for the county of Hastings, and also to urge on the Government that they provide free of cost to the county a road roller.

After some discussion the committee was made a sub-committee, and the following appointed: Messrs. Ketcheson, Thompson, Kells, and the Warden.

On motion Mr. Cook and Mr. Bleecker were appointed a deputation to attend the convention of the Good Roads Association to be held in Toronto on March 23 and 24, and a grant of \$10 was made to the Association towards expenses of the convention.

On motion Mr. J. Carson was paid \$15 for damages sustained to his engine in going through Bell's creek bridge.

SATURDAY'S SESSION

There was very little business at the Saturday morning session of Council. Three by-laws were given their third reading and a number of accounts were passed.

Moved by Mr. Ketcheson, seconded by Mr. Newton, that the Clerk be instructed to send a copy of the original letter sent to Mr. Mikel, Clerk of the city of Belleville, re reply to city of Belleville in reference to their request re city poor in County House of Refuge, to the Mayor of the city of Belleville. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hanley, seconded by Mr. Sills, that Mr. Vermilyea, the Clerk and Reeve of Hawdon be a committee to investigate re the appointment of valuers in other counties and as to their effectiveness, and report at June session. Carried.

Council adjourned until Tuesday, June 14th.

January Report of Springbrook Public School

In order of merit.

Sr. IV.—A Reid, L. McConnell, L. Forestell, C. Welch, Libbie McConnell, E. Reid, E. Thompson, D. Nerrie, W. Thompson, M. Rosebush.

Jr. IV.—E. Barton, R. Robin and H. Robin (equal) A. Bateman.

Sr. III.—J. Wilson, D. Forestell, G. Nerrie R. Garrison, E. Jones.

Jr. III.—E. Barton, E. Thompson, E. Wright, S. Danford, F. Mumby, E. Mumby, H. Quackenbush, J. Nerrie.

Average attendance 22.76.

FRANCES SIMMONS.

Sr. II.—C. Forestell, F. Danford, V. Kemp W. Reid, K. Thompson, N. Cooper, A. Jones F. Tanner.

Sr. Pt. II.—M. Heath, M. Reid, G. Danford, C. Thompson, P. Welch and M. Mason (equal), C. Reidcliffe.

Jr. Pt. II.—N. Sweet, G. Reid, H. Kemp, M. Sweet, V. Barton, T. Bateman.

Sr. I.—P. Mumby and R. Webb (equal) A. Green, J. Conroy, B. Reid.

Jr. I.—(A) N. Caldwell and R. Scarlett (equal) J. Cronk, C. Jones, G. Heath, A. Mumby, L. Thompson, I. Heath, H. Sweet, F. Cooper.

Jr. I.—(B) T. McConnell, J. Danford, E. Nerrie.

Average attendance 31.19.

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In sickness, if a certain hidden nerve goes wrong, then the organ that this nerve controls will also surely fail. It may be the stomach, or it may have given strength and support to the heart or kidneys. That old-fashioned method is all wrong. Dr. Shoop's Restorative goes directly to these failing inside nerves. The remarkable success of this prescription has caused these failing organs. And it is indeed easy to prove. A simple five or ten days' test will surely tell. Try it once and see. Sold by J. S. Morton.

The Failing Branch. In the grounds of Dalhousie castle, Scotland, is said to be a famous example of the sympathy of the vegetable world with human death. It was anciently believed in the neighborhood that a branch always fell from this oak when a member of the family died. Apparently the fall of the original tree early in the eighteenth century did not break the sympathy, for a new one sprang from the old root, and it is upon record that as lately as 1874 an old forester, seeing a branch fall from this on a still day, cried, "The laird's deed noo!" News of the death of Earl of Dalhousie's death soon followed.

Straightforward.

He—You mustn't believe every beggar who comes to your door. She—But this was no common beggar. He was a sea captain who had lost everything in a shipwreck. He—How do you know he was? She—He told a straightforward story about how his ship went to pieces on the coast of Switzerland.

The Higher Criticism.

The Clergyman—But, my friend, why make use of such abominable paths? The Motorcyclist—Abominable! Do you know any better ones?—Harper's Weekly.

The desire of appearing clever often prevents one becoming so.—Rochefoucauld.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Simmons of Colborne have made a generous gift to the Methodist church in that village by donating a pipe organ with tubular attachment, which is to be installed by May 15th. It is manufactured by Edward Lye & Sons of Toronto, and will be up-to-date in every particular.

Croup positively stopped in 20 minutes with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasant syrup—50c. Sold by J. S. Morton.

Bishop Farthing of Montreal in a missionary address at Kingston suggested that in order to increase their giving some men might do with one cigar less per day, while ladies might reduce the price of their hats. He had heard of women paying as high as \$25 for a hat. This, the bishop said, was wicked, no matter if the person is rich or not.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Louie Martin is spending the week
with friends in Stirling.

Mr. Ewart Ellis of Foxboro is spending
a couple of weeks at the home of his aunt,
Mrs. J. L. Ashby.

Mr. F. T. Ward went to Toronto on
Tuesday to attend a meeting of the share-
holders of the Sovereign Life Assurance
Company.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE COMBINED

Travellers for Brandram-Henderson, Limited,
Meet in Convention

DISCUSS ADVERTISING AND SALESMANSHIP

An enthusiastic convention of the trav-
elling staff of Brandram-Henderson, Lim-
ited, Montreal, was held at the company's
works, Mill Road, Montreal, during the
closing week of the old year. There were
in attendance Mr. Joseph R. Henderson,
president and general manager; Mr. Geo.
Henderson, manager of Maritime branch-
es; Mr. George M. Edwards, manager of
Montreal Paint and Color Works; Mr.
John Irwin, Montreal sales manager, and
Messrs. C. P. Smith (Halifax), A. H. Ellis
(Maritime Province), W. V. Church (St.
John, N.B.), E. W. Charlton (Quebec), Gas-
ton Lemoine (Eastern Townships), F. A.
Markum (Montreal), W. H. Smart (East-
ern Ontario), H. W. Edwards (Northern On-
tario), and Neil Macdonald (Western
Ontario).

The representatives were welcomed
by the president. The trip was made through
the lead corridor of the paint factory,
which was an eye opener to those who had
not been in Montreal since these works
were completed. Luncheon followed in
the clubhouse. In the afternoon addresses
were made by Mr. George Henderson on
"White Lead and Advertising in Con-
nection With It," by Mr. George M. Edwards
on "English Liquid Paints and Its Adver-
tising," and Mr. John Irwin on "China
Lac, the New Varnish Stain," the ad-
vertising connected with it, and the general
newspaper and magazine advertising in
connection with the products of Brandram-
Henderson, Limited.

In the evening a theatre party was held.
The following evening the social event of
the convention, the banquet, was held at
the Place Viger Hotel, at which Mr.
Joseph R. Henderson presided. After the
toast to the King, Mr. E. W. Charlton
proposed "The President." Mr. Henderson
gave an interesting history of the rise
and development of the house of Brand-
ram-Henderson, Limited, from the time
the business was first started, in Five
Islands, N.S., till the present.

Mr. Geo. Henderson proposed "The
Salesman," and alluding to the chairman's
reference to the part taken by the sales-
men in the building up of the firm, said
he wished to drive home the appreciation
of the hard task of the salesman. Follow-
ing Mr. Irwin, remarks were made by
Messrs. Smith, Macdonald, Ellis, Lawlor,
Church, Lemoine and Markum.

Mr. George M. Edwards proposed the
toast, "The Press." A great deal of money,
he said was being spent by Brandram-
Henderson, Limited, in advertising. They
recognized its value and were going in for
a bigger campaign than ever. Mr. J. N.
McKinn, of A. McKinn, Limited, and Mr.
E. J. Harrowsmith, of "Hardware and
Metal," replied. The evening closed with
a vote of thanks to the president for the
entertainment and the great kindness dis-
played to the staff, and it was resolved
that the success of the past would be more
than duplicated in the future and that
record results would be shown at the next
convention.

On Tuesday night, Jan. 26th, fire
totally destroyed the home of Mr.
Robert Wickham, about a mile north of
Madoc. Mrs. Wickham is away north
at work, and Mrs. Wickham and child-
ren had been visiting with her mother
for a few days past. She sent her son
Basili ahead to start the fire before re-
turning home on Tuesday evening, and
when she arrived an hour or so later she
found the whole upstairs in flames.
The entire contents of the house were
destroyed, with the exception of the
piano, and the loss is a serious one to
the family. There was an insurance of
\$500 on the house and \$300 on the con-
tents.—Madoc Review.

If troubled with indigestion, constipa-
tion, no appetite, or feel bilious, give
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tab-
lets and you will be pleased with the
result. These tablets invigorate the stom-
ach and liver and strengthen the diges-
tion. Sold by all dealers.

ADVERTISING NOTICES

In the local column will be charged as follows:
To Regular Advertisers.—Three lines and un-
der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,
10c. per line. Stationery in larger than three
lines, 10c. per line. To Transient Advertisers.—10c. per line each
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains start at Stirling station as follows:
GOING WEST. Passenger, 10:27 a.m.
Mail & Ex., 6:03 a.m. Passenger, 6:42 p.m.
GOING EAST. Passenger, 10:27 a.m.
Mail & Ex., 3:41 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 3, 1910.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Madoc Agricultural Society at its an-
nual meeting decided to hold its fair on
Sept. 27 and 28.

The quarterly communion service of
the Methodist church will be held on
Sunday morning next. Service at 10:30.

The annual Convention of the King-
ston Presbyterian Union is being held in
the Presbyterian church in this village
to-day.

The regular Epworth League meeting
on Monday evening next will be in
charge of the Wellman's League. A
good program is assured.

A number from here attended the
banquet given by the Warden, Mr. W.
R. Mather, at the Hotel Quinte, Belle-
ville, on Friday evening last.

The quarterly meeting of the Meth-
odist congregations of Rawdon circuit
will be held in Bethel church on Sun-
day morning next at 10:30.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church
will hold their regular meeting on Tues-
day next at 3 p.m. A hearty welcome
is extended to all ladies of the con-
gregation.

The inquest to inquire into the cause
of death of Owen Nolan, who was found
dead in the stable of the Stirling House
on Dec. 27th, was adjourned to Tuesday
afternoon next, Feb. 8th, at two o'clock,
when it is hoped a verdict will be
reached.

The annual Convention of the Ontario
Branch of the Dominion Alliance will
be held in Elm Street Methodist church,
Toronto, on Feb. 16 to 18. Arrange-
ments have been made for single fare
tickets to delegates from all points in
Ontario.

Why cannot Stirling have a Board of
Trade? Such institutions exist in many
places no larger than this, and are found
very useful in promoting the interests
of the places in which they are estab-
lished, and we believe a good live Board
of Trade would be an excellent thing
for Stirling.

The ladies of St. John's church, Stir-
ling, will hold a "Box Social" in Mc-
Kee's Hall on Monday evening, Feb.
7th. Each lady is requested to bring a
box, name enclosed, with lunch for two.
Boxes will be sold by auction, so girls
make your boxes pretty and secure the
highest bid. Coffee served free. Musi-
cal program will commence at 8 o'clock.
Admission free.

The public are invited to the illustrat-
ed lecture given by Col. W. N. Ponton
and J. W. Johnson, M. P. P., of Belle-
ville, in St. Andrew's Presbyterian
church on Monday evening next, Feb.
7th. The subject will be "Travel Talks
at Home and Abroad." These men are
well known to Stirling audiences, and
no doubt there will be a large attend-
ance. Admission by silver collection
at the door.

After the regular meeting of the Board
of Education on Tuesday evening the
members, on the invitation of the Chair-
man, Morden Bird, Esq., repaired to
the Kerby House for a banquet. The
village Council had also been invited,
and a few other personal friends, and
after partaking of an oyster stew and
other delicacies, toasts, speeches and
songs filled the time till after midnight,
and every one present enjoyed the feast
of reason and flow of soul.

United Empire Bank

Monetary Times

Although one of the youngest of the
Canadian chartered banking institu-
tions, the United Empire Bank presents
ended December 31st, 1909. Some of
the outstanding features are the marked
improvement in business, as indicated
by a gain of more than 80 per cent. in
deposits and the fact that eight of the
twelve branches of this institution are
not only self-supporting but have earned
a profit. This says much for careful
management, resulting at the same time
in satisfactory results.

January Report S. S. 17, Sidney

Names in order of merit.
Sr. IV.—E. Mabee, I. Jarvis, E. Lohnes,
Sr. IV.—J. Jarvis, C. Rupert.
Sr. III.—E. Mabee, H. Lohnes, G. Wallis,
F. Armstrong.
Sr. II.—M. Sullivan (honors), E. Wamma-
maker.
Sr. I.—H. Rupert, P. Wannamaker.
Pt. II.—R. Armstrong, H. Sullivan, K.
Sullivan, D. Macdonald.
Conduct marks, 300—Three highest, D.
Macdonald 292, R. Armstrong 257, and F.
Hearnes 239.
Average attendance 184
Visitors, Miss C. Keller, Mr. A. C. Bell,
H. T. McMullen, Teacher.

Threatening feverishness with children
is quickly and safely cured by Preventives.
These little Candy Cold Cure Tablets
should always be at hand—for promptness
is all important. Preventives contain no
guanine, nothing harsh or sickening. They
are indeed the "Kitch in time." Carried
in pocket or purse. Preventives are a gen-
eral remedy against colds, 25c. Sold
by J. S. Morton.

Sad Death at West Huntingdon

On Thursday evening last there passed
away, in the person of Miss Maggie
Hawkins, one of West Huntingdon's
best young women, and one of the most
active and beloved workers in the Meth-
odist church. The deceased was ill but
a short time and death was somewhat
sudden and unexpected, but she was
ready and died in the triumph of faith.
On the day of her death her pastor,
Rev. G. E. Ross, stood by her bedside
receiving the most tender and beautiful
messages and counsels for her fellow
workers in the Epworth League and
Sunday School, and for the unconverted
young people.

Many beautiful floral tributes silently
spoke of the esteem in which she was
held, one of these being given by the
W. M. S. and Epworth League of the
Methodist church, of which she was a
most loyal and faithful member.

On Saturday afternoon the interment
was made in the little cemetery at West
Huntingdon, and on Sunday evening a
memorial service was held in the Meth-
odist church. The drapings and floral
decorations spoke of a deep and abiding
love, the beautiful and appropriate
music by the choir, the tender and
pointed addresses delivered by Mr. L. J.
Burke and the pastor of the church, and
the holy hush of reverence and power
which fell over the congregation, made
the service one of the most impressive.
The mourning family have the sym-
pathy of the community.

Miss Hawkins will be greatly missed
in the Methodist church, as she was
most active in every department of the
work.—Com.

Wellman's Women's Institute

The regular monthly meeting of the
Women's Institute was held on Janu-
ary 25th at the home of Mrs. John
Snarr. There were fourteen present.

Mrs. Hubble, the President, opened
the meeting, and after the reading of
the minutes, Mrs. Blake Totton, the
delegate to the convention at Guelph,
gave a highly satisfactory report, which
was enjoyed by all present. Mrs. T.
Clancy, a visitor, contributed a solo.

The topic was given by Mrs. Robert
Totton on "The things we have to be
thankful for." Her paper showed much
thought and careful preparation, and
made one feel especially thankful we
lived in the present age and in the best
country the sun shines on.

Miss Flossie Pollock gave a recita-
tion, "The Revolt of Moses," which
was well given.

One question in the question drawer
was "Who was the greatest woman in
all history?" After some discussion it
was thought that the farmer's wife who
did all her own work, brought up a
family of children to be useful men and
women, found time for intellectual and
social improvement, and did not work
herself into incapacity, was truly great,
and it would not be said of her when
she died.

Wasn't old nuther, forty-six—no,
Jes' got humped, an' thin an' gray.
Washin' and churnin' and sweepin',
by Joe.
F'r fourteen hours or more a day."
There was forty-five cents collection
for the Sick Children's Hospital. One
new name was added to the member-
ship roll. The topic for the next meet-
ing will be given by Mrs. (Rev.) Clarke
on Feb. 17th, at the home of Mrs. Chas.
Dracup. Visitors welcome.—Com.

A GREAT FEAT

Under the caption "What has been done in
six months" the Montreal "Witness" has
issued a brief statement of its clientele,
that admirably serves to summarize the activities
of this truly great newspaper. We reproduce
this summary in part for our readers:

"The 'Witness' has been reorganized and
revitalized in all its departments. Editorial
and reportorial staffs have been augmented
by the most experienced men to be procured.
The Advertising Department has been placed
under an advertising manager with 25 years
experience in Canadian advertising. The size
of the 'Daily' and 'Weekly Witness' has been
almost doubled. The effects of the recent dis-
asters fire which destroyed the 'Witness' Build-
ing and plant have been largely over-
come. Upwards of \$15,000.00 have been spent
in expediting circulation. The most modern
presses, type, and equipment have been in-
stalled. The circulation of the 'Daily' and
'Weekly' issues have been increased by
thousands. The advertising has increased
over 30 per cent."

The Montreal "Witness" is indeed an ideal
family newspaper, maintaining at all times
a high moral standard, its news reliable, well-
arranged, and its editorials acknowledged on
all sides to be "at once powerful and fair."
The very high place the Montreal "Witness"
holds in public esteem was well shown by the
chorus of sympathy and condolence evoked
by their disastrous fire a few months ago, and
the vigor and energy displayed in grappling
with the problem of reorganization.
A strong readers want a metropolitan
paper as well as the local one, and the
paper, and they cannot do better than take
the "Witness." The price of the "Daily Wit-
ness" is \$3.00 a year, and of the "Weekly Wit-
ness" and Canadian Homestead, \$1.00 a year.
Samples will be freely and promptly sent
upon request by the publishers, JOHN DOUGLAS
& SON, "Witness" Building, Montreal, or may
be sent at the office of this paper which will
forward subscriptions if desired.

Gallantry that attention men show
to women who don't belong to them.

The International Harvester Co. at
Hamilton has given instructions for the
preparation of plans for extensive ad-
ditions to its plant to cost one million
dollars.

F. Klingbell, Belleville, sent to the
penitentiary for having caused his wife's
death, has been pardoned after four
years' servitude. He is now 89 years of
age, homeless and friendless.

There are 3,500 employees of the Cana-
dian Pacific Railway Company at
work in Winnipeg, which city also
boasts that the C. P. R. yards are the
largest of the kind in the world.

If you would have a safe yet certain
Cough Remedy in the home try Dr. Shoop's
any other time. It is thoroughly un-
likely to be entirely new to you unless it is al-
ready your favorite Cough Remedy. No
opium, chloroform, or any other stupefy-
ing ingredients are used. The tender-
ness of a harmless, lung-healing moun-
tainous air give to Dr. Shoop's Cough
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Come early and secure Bargains.

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at exceptional low figures. All these Stoves are
fully guaranteed, so that you are taking no
chances whatever. If any these lines do not do the
work we claim of them we will gladly refund you the
purchase price. Now is the time for you to buy
Stoves as they will go fast at the prices we are offer-
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Substantial progress having been made in every branch of its business.
The Company begs to extend hearty thanks to the Canadian public
for its liberal patronage, and to its Policy Holders, old and new, best wishes
for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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A FINE GOSPEL TEXT CALENDAR FOR 1910
This Calendar contains thirteen large sheets
beautifully printed in three colors. Each
sheet contains a design of an open Bible with
a Bible text for each day of the month, and a
calendar in large letters for the month at the
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We will mail any of these or a number to any
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Strayed

Came in my enclosure about Dec. 15th,
1909, one heifer coming two years old.
Owner can have the same by proving prop-
erty and paying charges. South half lot
25, concession 2, Rawdon.

JOHN LINN,
Hoard's Station.

Farm for Sale

On or before February 15th, part of the
north half of Lot 20 in the 9th Concession
of Sidney, in the County of Stirling. Part
cash, balance on easy terms of payment.
R. McDONELL,
Erindale, Ont.

For Sale

Two span of three year old horses, one
heavy, and the other light drivers, both
teams matched.
JOHN HAY, Burnbrae P.O.
Residence near Brae Cheese Factory.
17-4.

New Masonic Hall

Is now available for social and other en-
gagements. For particulars of rental, etc.,
see Dir. WALT.

GREATEST OF GOD'S GIFTS

Largeness of Heart Is Held to Be Better Than Big Brain.

God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart.—I. Kings iv. 29.

No man ever had a more varied endowment than Solomon, whose memory is cherished by Jews, Christians and Mohammedans alike.

He had such unbounded wealth that he was told he made silver as the stones of the streets in his capital city. He had a wisdom that so amazed men that they came from the ends of the earth to hear him. He had such skill in ruling that he left behind him world-wide fame that will endure to the end of time.

But this singular historian who tells us the story of his life reminds us that he had something beyond these things. The greatest of God's gifts to man is not a mighty brain, not a full purse, not to have his name on everybody's lips, but to have a generous spirit.

"LARGENESS OF HEART,"

as it is called in this text.

The Bible has a great deal to say about a man's heart. The mind of man is not ignored. We are told to love God with all our mind, but no one can read the Bible without discerning that its chief concern is with the heart. The Scriptures with unmistakable clearness declare the supremacy of the heart over the brain.

You may train the intellect and not make a man a mite better. It was said of one of the greatest of Englishmen that he was not only the wisest and brightest but also

the meanest of mankind. But you cannot cultivate the graces of the heart without making a man good as well as great. Nobody impeaches the intellectual power of the devil. On the other hand, the best portrayal of God we have is in that wonderful phrase that tells us that he is full of compassion. And it is His "largeness of heart" that draws us to Him and makes us worship Him. And that is why the Bible says: "Keep thy heart with diligence, for out of it are the issues of life."

If the heart is full of good intentions, it is easy to speak well and to do well. If the heart is

A NEST OF EVIL DESIRE,

wickedness is the natural and inevitable outcome of it. We drill the minds of our children in knowledge; we train their hands to a trade; but too often we let the heart take its own way. Somebody has said that if an inhabitant of another world should visit ours and study the catalogues of our schools he would conclude that our race has no heart, so much provision is made for the training of the mind and the heart is so ignored.

If our heart is dwarfed, if our sympathies are narrow, if our interest in the needs of people about us is cold and dead, there is but one remedy; we must ask the Creator of the heart to help us and make us tender in spirit and we must exercise the heart by helping others.

REV. FRANK L. GOODCHILD.

THE S. S. LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON, FEB. 6.

Lesson VI. Almsgiving and Prayer, Matt. 6: 1-15. Golden Text, Matt. 6: 1.

Verse 1. Your righteousness—Contrasted with that of the scribes and Pharisees (see Matt. 5: 20). The "exceeding" righteousness enjoined by Jesus includes right religious principles and practice. He is about to exhibit the limitations of the Jews in the matter of almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, their chief shortcoming being that they did these things before men, to be seen of them. All three of these performances the Jews recognized as acts of worship, of about equal value. What Jesus inveighed against was not the acts but the intent of winning a name for piety.

Else ye have no reward—Implying, what is promised in verses 4, 6, and 18, that reward may be expected for following the right course.

With your Father—It is his approval, and not man's, that is to be sought in all acts of worship.

2. Alms—The practice of deeds of compassion to the poor had grown to be acknowledged among the Jews as one of the essential observances of religion, a matter to be attended to as fastidiously as prayer or fasting.

Trumpet—One was used on various occasions in the service of the synagogue. Here, however, the word seems to be employed figuratively, for loud display.

Hypocrites—Originally, a stage term, meaning to act a part, from which it came to mean "giving oneself out to be what one knew one ought to be, but had no intention of becoming." In this sermon, hypocrisy stands for what is opposite to the kingdom of heaven, and a denial of it. Here the hypocrite is the man who makes an unreal pretense of religion, and especially of generosity, for the despicable purpose of gaining glory of men.

Synagogues . . . streets—There were several methods of collecting charitable gifts for the poor. Sometimes baskets were passed about the streets for the poor of all classes, Jew or Gentile. Then there were regular officials who went from house to house gathering money for indigent Jews. On the Sabbath, alms were received at the synagogue.

Verily I say—Special emphasis on the fact that the hypocrites have received the sort of reward they sought, in the praise of men, but have forfeited the favor of the heavenly Father.

3. When thou doest alms—Showing it is not the act but the motive which Jesus condemns.

Let not thy left hand know—This is supposed to be a current proverb to express secrecy. Giving without show or boasting was in keeping with the best Jewish spirit.

4. The sum of all is that the matter of almsgiving is one between a man and his Father, who will give

the man in return both the rewards of this life and those of the world to come.

5. Ye shall not be—Has the force of a command.

Stand and pray—The posture of prayer, in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, was standing, with uncovered head, and face turned toward the sanctuary. This gave the play-acting hypocrites their opportunity. They would deliberately so arrange it that the hour of prayer might find them at the chief places of public conference, and there they would strike their conspicuous attitude of devotion. Or, in the public service, they would recite private prayers in a tone loud enough to attract notice, their whole idea of prayer being that it was an act to be seen of men.

6. Enter into thine inner chamber—The upper room of an Oriental house, for guests of retirement. Public prayer is not proscribed. But there are absent in secret prayer, when the door is shut against a peering world, the unworthy motives that tempt a man in public worship.

Thy Father who seeth in secret.—Since he sees, it is not needful that men should see. In secret prayer a man is necessarily at his best.

7. Vain repetitions—For an example, read I Kings 18: 26. The caution is not against repetitions in general, for Jesus himself used the same words thrice over in the garden of Gethsemane. Prayers are vain when they are uttered again and again as if there were efficacy in the repetition.

8. Your Father knoweth . . . before ye ask—Explaining that prayer is not intended, by a multiplication of words, to acquaint God with our necessities. That secrecy is enjoined shows that the noblest end of prayer is to set the heart right with God.

9. After this manner . . . pray—Following the Jewish custom of number of prayers, this form was given as a suitable petition to be used at the end of the ordinary prayers, just as now in our public worship, including the address, three petitions relating to God ("Thy name," "Thy Kingdom," "Thy will"), and three relating to human need ("bread," "debts," "temptation"). Thus it is a pattern prayer, giving a comprehensive statement of Jesus' teaching about God and individual duty, in a simple, intelligible way.

Father—Jesus' common designation for God, bringing before the mind his supreme authority as well as his paternal care. To call him our Father is to admit a universal ground of brotherhood among his true children. The additional phrase, "who art in heaven," is not meant to isolate, but to describe his incomparable majesty.

Hallowed be thy name—A fervent wish that God may be revered among men according to his worth, "name" signifying, in the Jewish sense, the whole Person.

10. Thy kingdom come—Israel's unceasing prayer. With wider scope, we are to pray for the coming of that day when the divine will shall be the universal rule of life.

Thy will be done—Guarding the preceding petition from misinterpretation. God's kingdom can be established only as men on earth do his will as absolutely as the angels in heaven.

11. Give us . . . bread—While we press on to the ultimate spiritual goal we have present physical needs. A comprehensive prayer for food and all things essential to physical well-being. Luxuries and unnecessary comforts are not contemplated.

12. Forgive us . . . as we . . . have forgiven—Asking God for a clean sheet presupposes that we have given others the same. We need forgiveness; for if we believe at God's will should be supreme, and his kingdom be a reality, we must, through faith and repentance, clear ourselves of the false attitude which results from (the daily) violation of his perfect will. The reason we must forgive others is that it is inconsistent we should ask for love, if we do not show it to others.

13. Practically one petition, with two parts, asking for deliverance from those perilous moral situations in which it is easy for an unprotected man to lose his soul, but, inasmuch as moral test is the atmosphere of Christian progress, praying for immunity from moral catastrophe (the apparent meaning of the evil one).

15. If ye forgive not . . . neither will your Father forgive—Not a despotic principle of tip for tap. God will grant forgiveness to the man whose heart is prepared for it, but the man's heart cannot be prepared for it who has not forgiven his brother.

ADVENTURE WITH GRIZZLY.

A Trapper's Narrow Escape With a Huge Bear.

Captain Williams, an old-time trapper, who voyaged alone in a frail canoe for hundreds of miles on the great rivers of the interior, had many thrilling adventures, one of which is related below. Captain Williams always took the precaution at night of tying his canoe to the shore with a piece of rawhide about twenty feet long, which let the canoe swing from the bank that distance. In case of attack from Indians, he could cut the cord that bound him to the shore, and glide off without noise. He always slept in his canoe.

One night he was roused from sleep by the tramping of something in the bushes on the bank. Tramp! tramp! tramp! sounded the footsteps, which were approaching the canoe.

The captain's first fear was of Indians, but reason told him that no Indian bent on mischief would approach the canoe in that careless fashion. Peering intently into the darkness, Captain Williams watched the shore, and soon discovered a grizzly bear coming toward him, its head upraised as it sniffed the air.

The captain snatched his ax, deeming that the best weapon to defend himself from such a foe, and stood with it uplifted, ready to strike the huge aggressor.

The bear came on, and placed its fore paws upon the stern of the canoe, and nearly upset it.

Like a flash descended the ax upon one foot, which was instantly withdrawn; but the bear held on with the other foot.

The captain raised the ax again, and brought it down on the animal's head. Instantly it let go the canoe, and sank, stunned, into the water.

Although Captain Williams watched intently for the grizzly's reappearance, nothing more was seen of it. In the morning two of the bear's claws were found in the canoe, severed by that doughty blow of the trapper's ax. They were fondly preserved as trophies of the adventure, and were always exhibited when the captain told the story of his encounter with the grizzly.

THE SUPERFLUOUS WOMEN.

Are 1,557 Women to Every 1,000 Men in Kensington, Eng.

According to the estimate of the census statisticians, the superfluous women for whom the delegates to the national conference of women workers at Southsea, England, tried to plan a happy future numbered 1,244,553 at the middle of the present year. The problem of the superfluous woman by no means troubles every town. In Devonport, for instance, there are 881 women for every 1,000 men; in Bardon-in-Furness 128, and in Rhondda only 825, while the feminine element is in a minority in other important centres of industry—the city of London, Southwark, Woolwich, Poplar, Stepney, West Bromwich, St. Helen's, etc. The superfluous woman makes her home in pleasant places—in health resorts on the south coast, in Bath, the city of fashion, and in the royal borough of Kensington, where there are 1,557 women to every 1,000 men. In Bournemouth the disparity between the sexes is even greater, the women numbering 1,709 to each 1,000 men.

DESCENDENT OF BURNS

WORKS IN A LONDON, ENGLAND, FACTORY.

The Cheery Old Coppersmith is a Descendant of the Scotch Poet.

A cheery old coppersmith, bent with half a century of honest labor in a London, Eng., factory, but still bright-eyed and vigorous, is now to be added to the curiously diminishing list of the actual legitimate descendants of the poet Burns.

As is well known, there still survives a natural grandson of the poet in Mr. James Glencairn Thomson, whose hale old age is being tenderly cared for in Glasgow by local Scotchmen. Only a couple of years ago the civil list included grants to Mrs. Sarah Hutchinson and Miss Annie Burns of Cheltenham, both "Bobbie's" grand-daughters. Hitherto, as it happens, London has been unable to claim a living bond with the poet of freedom.

Now, however, there proves to be living and working in the heart of the city, unknown and unhonored save for his own merits, an undoubted great grandson of Robert Burns himself, in a direct line. His name is George Williams Pyrkas. His mother, Anne Burns, was the only daughter of Robert Burns, Jr., the poet's eldest son, who is known to have married in London. She is entered as such in the register of St. James', in Clerkenwell, where she was born in 1819.

NOT A TALKER.

The old fellow—for he is now 68 years of age—has taken so little trouble to bring himself into public notice that a newspaper representative, who "discovered" him at Messrs. Still's factory in Charles street, Hatton Garden, found that even old Pyrkas' mates at the works knew nothing of an ancestor of which he might well be prouder than any Plantagenet of his "Norman blood."

None the less, when asked about the matter, the old man attested his origin with no small sense of its worthiness. "I can tell you this," said he, "that as my grandfather was Burns' eldest son, and my mother was an only daughter—I really don't know any of the Burns family who should by rights take precedence of me."

"My mother," he continued, "whom I remember well, was the very image of Burns himself, with his flashing dark eyes and jet black hair. She could sing, too. She used to sing nearly all father's songs."

Quite apart from his connection with Scotland's poet, Mr. Pyrkas, "Sammy," as he is known in the factory, is a little man, with not very much of the Burns stamp about him—an extremely interesting old workman, his particular part of tea-urn making being one to which very few younger folk are turning their attention, for new-fangled boilers have long put the old brown, hand-hammered tea-urn out of fashion.

He can boast that whilst his father had worked at the same trade for 50 years, he himself has been making tea-urns ever since he was 11 years old, and has been with his present employers for over 40 years. Still, though on the verge of three score and ten, and not always in the best of health, he does his daily work with a will, and has never been known to grumble.

He is looking forward to the hope of an old age pension, to which often he good-humoredly remarks: he will become entitled at just about the same time as King Edward himself, who is his elder by a month. Needless to say, he is still a keen enthusiast in the poetry and message, the "pith of sense and pride of worth," of his great-grandfather, and attends every year the Burns celebration at the Albert Hall.

DISCOVERED IN 1909.

Some Achievements of Science During Past Year.

Science abated not a jot in its progress during the wonderful months of 1909.

In 1909 Sir William Ramsay announced that he had succeeded in transmitting four different substances into carbon—zinc, antimony, thorium, hydrofluosilicic acid and bismuth. Dr. E. S. Bailey, of New Orleans, a month earlier than this, perfected a substitute for radium, "Radiothor," as he calls it, is made of pitchblende and is not merely cheaper and better than the rare element it replaces, but is wholly lacking of all radium's baleful effects. On Feb. 10 Cleveland scientists watched the operation of an oxygen-acetylene torch, which radiated a heat of some 6,300 degrees—sufficient to cut through a two-inch solid steel plate in 50 seconds, or to weld aluminum, heretofore regarded as impossible.

The new Cabot torpedo, with

Hints for Busy Housekeepers.

Recipes and Other Valuable Information of Particular Interest to Women Folks.

SALADS.

Cheese Salads.—One cream cheese, or two Neufchatel; add four tablespoonfuls of milk, one-half teaspoonful paprika, five drops onion juice, and stir well. Make into a roll; put on ice to harden. Cut in slices and place on lettuce leaves. Cover with strips of pimento and serve with French dressing. This is a very effective salad, the white, red, and green making it so, and delicious.

Cabbage Salad.—One head of cabbage chopped fine, one pint cupful of chopped celery, one cupful of peanuts. Mix with mayonnaise dressing.

Water Cress Salad.—Chop or cut fine to one bunch of cresses one-quarter of a small sized cabbage. The leaves of cresses cut away from the stem; cut fine one-eighth of a small green pepper, and a small sized onion; put all together in a basin of cold water standing for about one hour before serving to make it nice and crisp; drain off the water, add in to taste olive oil, vinegar, salt, and pepper, and serve. The cabbage and cresses together have a fine flavor.

Corn Salad.—Two cupfuls of corn, add to this a small head of cabbage, one cupful of sugar, mustard, and salt to taste. Also add red peppers to taste. Cover it with vinegar and mix well. Put on the stove and let the whole simmer about twenty minutes. If canned this will keep a long time.

Tip Top Salad.—One cupful of vinegar, one tablespoonful of mustard, half cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of salt, a dash of cayenne pepper, one tablespoonful of flour, one small lump of butter. Cook well. Then add four to six eggs. Beat eggs light with egg beater. Add whipped or plain cream before serving.

Spanish Pepper Salad.—Dissolve half box gelatin in half cup cold water and half cup vinegar. Add half cup of sugar, juice of one lemon, scant teaspoonful of salt, one cup of boiling water. Mix with six canned pimientos, two cups celery, one cup shelled pecans. Mold into individual molds, serving on lettuce leaf with mayonnaise dressing. This will serve twelve guests.

THE SEWING ROOM.

Saving Time Sewing.—One can gather by hand and baste at the same time by following this easy method: Suppose you plan to gather to a gauge of once and a half. Cut a piece of cardboard one and one-half inches long, with a nick at the end of the inch. With your needle gather up one and one-half inches of goods, draw the gathers up into an inch space, and set a small basting stitch. Thus you have drawn your "once and a half" into the proper space and have done your basting all with one turn of the wrist, so to speak. Intervals of an inch will be found close enough for ordinary basting. If not, draw three-fourths of an inch into a half inch space.

Sewing on Buttons.—Buttons have such an unfortunate way of popping off the garments belonging to the little folk at the most inopportune time, and when busy mothers are employed in a countless number of duties that any simplification is acceptable. I remember well how delighted I was when the discovery was made that in sewing on buttons if the knot of the thread is on the right side of the article (instead of on the wrong side) under the button, and if after the button is sewed on securely the thread is wound around it three or four times the buttons seldom come off until the clothes are worn out.—Mrs. Samuel J. Huber.

which France has made recent demonstrations to her full satisfaction, is a death-dealing device of 1909. Twice the size of the old Whitehead, and charged with nearly 2,000 pounds of high explosive, it is controlled by Hertzian waves, without as much as a thread to connect it with its pilot safe on shore. Those who have seen it in operation state that it advances to reconnoitre the hostile vessel in the manner of a miniature submarine, pursues it, harasses it, and performs evolutions about its threatened sides as though animated by an intelligence of its own—guided all the while by the invisible mechanic.

We have also in 1909 the Maxim silencer for rifles and an English cannon also noiseless.

Canada's Power Wealth.

Canada's available water powers represent a combined energy which, maintained by stream force generated from coal, would involve an annual coal consumption of 522,455,933 tons.

THE LAUNDRY.

Clothes Pin Hints.—Try putting the clothes pins in the oven until they get real hot; on wash day while putting out a large washing. Also put all the small pieces, such as napkins and handkerchiefs, in a bag or pillow case and pin on a line; it saves so much in the wear, as well as time and cold.

Washing Easily Done.—Washing easily and quickly done. Fill two boilers half full of soft water, cut up one bar, north, west, or any good laundry soap, put into a muslin bag and tie end. When the water is boiling put soap and water into the washing machine and put in cloths equivalent to five sheets, turn washer ten minutes, wring out, rinse through one cold water and blue. Your cloths are steam washed and as white as snow. You may wash five washers full if you wash steady and keep the machine soaked so the water will not get cool. Nine out of ten who read this will say the boiling water will set the dirt, but just try it. Caution: The water must be boiling, the washer must be full of water, and blood spots must be washed out.

UNUSUAL RECIPES.

New Apple Sauce.—Add orange juice and the grated peel of an orange to apple sauce which is not sweet and serve with wild or tame duck.

Pineapple and Orange Loaf.—Place blanched almonds in bottom of a chilled mold, cover with liquid orange jelly made with gelatin; set on ice till firm. Sald and cool one cupful of pineapple juice, add one pint of cream, three-quarters cupful of sugar, whip light fill mold to overflowing, cover with buttered paper, tie cover, and bury in salt and ice for four hours. Unmold on a lace paper napkin.

Parsley Jelly.—A delicious substitute for honey: Take six ounces of parsley, rinse and freshen in cold water, then place in a deep kettle with just enough cold water to come to the top of the parsley when pressed down tightly. Let this come to a boil and simmer slowly for half an hour; take out the parsley and let the juice simmer ten to fifteen minutes longer; after this take up for cup of juice and granulated sugar and boil until it jellies. Add vanilla extract according to taste.

Clove Apples.—Clove apples for cold meals, three-quarters of a pound of sugar, two cupfuls of water, and boil to a syrup. Drop in quarters of apples, pared, and when they are cooked lift out carefully with a fork. When all the fruit has been cooked drop some of the skins in the syrup with one-half dozen cloves. Cook about twenty minutes, remove the skins, but pour the syrup with the cloves over the apples in a jar, and cover up. This is inexpensive and beats all kinds of chutney.

If it is desired to have the curtains a light ecru shade rinse them in weak coffee, and if you want a dark shade use strong coffee.

NOISE AND LIGHT MISSED.

Why Some Townspeople are Unable to Live in the Country.

The necessity which some people feel for noisy surroundings was mentioned by a famous specialist in giving a medical explanation of the case of little Horace Collins, the heroic messenger boy, says the London Daily Mail. The lad, although able to gratify every wish as the guest of Lord Lansdowne at Bowood House, has a mastering longing for the bustle and light of the London streets.

"It is a very clear case of nostalgia," said the doctor. "A person suffering like that has lost two everyday friends, as it were—noise and light. It is entirely due to the nerves. Our nervous system gets into a pronounced groove in accordance with the everyday condition under which we live. A sudden change in living throws the nervous system out of gear. Both light and noise are nervous stimuli to people who live amid noise and light. Take away the comradeship of noise and light, and the nervous system loses two stimulants necessary to its well being and suffers in consequence."

"With the boy Collins the fact that he does not see policemen troubles him, because policemen to him have become a part of the natural scheme of things."

"A very similar case occurred with a London housekeeper of mine. She was sent away to the country, and simply could not endure to live there. She missed the companionship of noise so much that she had to be brought back to town again quickly, for her health was beginning to suffer."

LIFE'S OUTLOOK FOR YOUNG GIRLS.

Nature Makes Demands Upon Them Which Only Such a Tonic as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Can Supply.

The girl of to-day is the woman of to-morrow, and until that to-morrow of times she suffers a weariness and loss of strength and brightness. These woes, with pallid cheeks, shortness of breath and persistent headaches, tell plainer than words that she needs assistance in the form of new, rich red blood.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are just the medicine growing girls need. Every dose helps to make new, rich blood, thus helping languid, despondent girls on to the full bloom of womanhood, making them robust, cheerful and attractive. Mrs. Albert Putnam, Port Robinson, Ont., says: "A couple of years ago my daughter Hattie, now fifteen, was in declining health. She complained of severe headaches, had no appetite, was very pale, and exhausted at the least exertion. As time passed on she was hardly able to drag herself about, notwithstanding that she was under medical treatment and continuously taking medicine. At this juncture a neighbor strongly advised me to give Hattie Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I decided to do so. After she had taken three boxes some improvement was noticed; the headaches were not so frequent, nor so severe, and her appetite was much improved. This was indeed cheering and she continued taking the Pills until she had used some eight boxes, when she was as well as ever she had been in her life, and since that time she has been as robust as any girl could wish to be. I would strongly urge all mothers of growing girls to keep their health fortified through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can be had from any medicine dealer or by mail from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50.

NOT GOING TO TAKE IT.

Hamish was a thrifty Scot, like many of his race, an enthusiast over golf. But one day Hamish had such peculiar and unpleasant feelings that he reluctantly consulted a physician.

"You've overdone the matter of exercise, man," said the doctor, after Hamish had detailed his symptoms. "You must give yourself a day's quiet now and then, and avoid exposure. How often do you play golf?"

"Every day but the Sabbath," said Hamish, rising.

"You must be more temperate at it," said the physician. "Twice a week in good weather is enough for you."

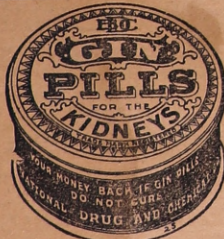
"Good day!" said Hamish, moving toward the door.

"You've not paid me for my advice," said the doctor, who knew his man.

"Nae, for I'm nae takkin' it," said Hamish, as he reached the door and made his escape.

TRANSPARENT TALES.

The tail of Halley's comet is transparent, just like the tale that is told by the man who gets home late with a breath that is strong enough for him to lean on.



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Colds are the most dangerous of all forms of disease. A neglected cold leads to Bronchitis, Consumption, Pneumonia. "Coughs" are the result of irritated bronchial tubes. "PSYCHINE" cures coughs by removing the irritating particles and healing the inflamed membrane. It is a germicide and destroys the tubercle germ. It is a tonic that strengthens the lungs, the liver, and tones up the system. It makes for better health in all conditions of humanity. Get strong and the cough will disappear. "PSYCHINE" makes weak people strong. It cures coughs of the most obstinate kind and breaks up a cold in a few hours.

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UNCOMMON WANTS.

Advertisements Which Appeared in English Papers.

Curiously worded advertisements, which are funny without the author's intent, are to be found in almost any number of any newspaper. The following announcements were printed in all good faith in the advertising columns of various English newspapers, and, as a whole, they won a prize offered by a London periodical for the best collection of such specimens of unconscious humor:

Annual sale on now. Don't go elsewhere to be cheated—come in here.

A lady wants to sell her piano, as she is going away, in a strong iron frame.

Wanted—Experienced nurse for bottled baby.

Furnished apartments suitable for gentlemen with folding doors.

Two sisters want washing.

Wanted—A room by two gentlemen about thirty feet long and twenty feet broad.

Lost—A collie dog by a man on Saturday answering to Jim with a brass collar round his neck and a muzzle.

Wanted, by a respectable girl, her passage to New York; willing to take care of children and a good sailor.

Respectable widow wants washing on Tuesdays.

For Sale—A pianoforte, the property of a musician with carved legs.

Mr. Brown, furrier, begs to announce that he will make up gowns, capes, etc., for ladies out of their own skins.

A boy who can open oysters with reference.

Bulldog for sale; will eat anything; very fond of children.

Wanted—An organist and a boy to blow the same.

Wanted—A boy to be partly outside and partly behind the counter.

LOST SYMPATHY.

Mother (tenderly).—"And just to think, Bobby, the little Eskimo boys never wash their faces or cut their nails or go to school."

Bobby.—"Oh, ma, why couldn't I have been an Eskimo boy?"

DELICATE LITTLE BABIES

Every delicate baby starts life with a serious handicap. Even a trivial illness may end fatally and the mother is kept in a state of constant dread. Baby's Own Tablets have done more than any other medicine to make sickly babies well and strong. They give mothers a feeling of security as through their use she sees her delicate child developing healthily. Mrs. Theodore Mordon, Bala, Ont., says: "I can say with confidence that Baby's Own Tablets saved my baby's life. I did not know what it was to have a good night's rest until we started using the Tablets, but they have made him a strong, healthy child." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Fair Millionaire—"Oh, Vladimir, they say you are a fortune-hunter, and are only marrying me for my wealth. Tell me that this is not true." Lord Dedbrooke—"Why, my dearest, I would marry you if you were penniless." Fair Millionaire—"Prove this, my own Vladimir, and I shall be absolutely happy." Lord Dedbrooke—"Settle the whole of your vast fortune upon me, leaving yourself destitute, and I will wed you in the face of the whole world."

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DANGEROUS COLLARS.

A Paris cabman was sitting on his box, and struck a fire (of the kind manufactured by the Government) to light his pipe, when a spark from the match flew on to his collar. This collar was made of celluloid, and at once took fire, with the result that the cabby was severely burnt about the face and neck.

A MAN OF LAW.

"What are you moving the church for?" "Well, stranger, I'm mayor of these diggin', an' I'm fer law enforcement. We've got an ordinance what says no saloon shall be nearer than 300 feet from a church. I give 'em three days to move the church."

IT'S THE TALK OF THE COUNTRYSIDE

HOW DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED MRS. SAMUEL THOMPSON'S DROPSY.

Her's Was a Terrible Case and the Doctors were Powerless to Check It, but the Great Kidney Remedy Cured It.

Holt, Ont., Jan. 31 (Special).—All the country side about here is talking of the wonderful cure of Mrs. Samuel Thompson of this place. She was taken sick with Jaundice, and though the doctor was called in she grew steadily worse. Her stomach was so bad she could not keep anything on it. Dropsy set in and she bloated to a terrible size. The doctor came three times to tap her, but her husband would not allow him to do it, saying that if she could not get better they might let her die in peace. Finally she dropped the doctors and tried other medicines, but they did her no good. Her leg burst and the water streamed from it. Then someone told her about Dodd's Kidney Pills and so she asked her husband to get her a box.

After taking them a while she took a bad turn. Something would come in her throat and she would vomit. Her water would just fly from her mouth. But from that time she commenced to get better, and to-day she is a well woman. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Dropsy by putting the kidneys in condition to take the surplus water out of the blood. They always cure it.

WHAT KEEPS HIM BACK.

Many a man would climb higher up the ladder of fame if he didn't spend so much of his time trying to keep some one else from doing it.

Always a Good Friend.—In health and happiness we need no friends but when pain and prostration come we look for friendly aid from sympathetic hands. These hands can serve us no better than in rubbing in Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, for when the Oil is in the pain is out. It has brought relief to thousands who without it would be indeed friendless.

Many a man with a will of his own has a codicil added to it by his wife.

"Only One 'BROMO QUININE' That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the world over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

How much better a thing tastes when the doctor says you mustn't eat it!

Painkiller in winter checks chills, breaks up colds and thus prevents Bronchitis, Laryngitis and Rheumatism. Unequalled as a liniment for first bites, chilblains, bruises, sprains. Sold by all druggists. Only one Painkiller—Ferry Davis.

The man who knows it all seldom makes good when it comes to action.

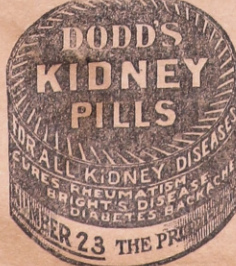
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A man's conscience seldom troubles him as much as the corn on his little toe.

An Fire Spreads in dry grass, so does an inflammation in the throat grow down into the lungs. Deal promptly with a cold as with a fire, and when you begin to cough use Allen's Lung Balm.

ALL THROUGH WITH HIM

The professional point of view is rarely that of the humanitarian. A passenger on a London omnibus calls out to the conductor: "Ere, there! 'Whoa! There's an old chap fallen off the bus!" "All right!" responds the conductor, cheerfully, "E's paid his fare."



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THE BEST MEDICINE FOR COUGHS & COLDS
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A LITTLE COLD.

He caught a little cold—That was all.
So the neighbors sadly said,
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He caught a little cold—That was all. (Puck.)

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"Not at all. But perhaps I could sell him the ring at a bargain."

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Madoc Junction Items

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fitchett spent a few days with friends in Tweed.
Mr. and Mrs. L. Dodds and little daughter of Brechin are visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Stapley.

Mrs. Smith of Glen Ross spent a week with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Cooke, and other friends.

Rev. G. E. Ross, our pastor, is holding revival services at West Huntingdon.

Mr. Albert Eggleton, who has been in the West for three years, intends moving in their old home here.

We are sorry to hear of the serious illness of Miss Evelyn Bird.

Several from here attended the revival meeting at West Huntingdon on Sunday evening last.

Mrs. W. H. Clarke and children spent Sunday with Mrs. J. E. Clarke.

Mrs. A. H. Seely of Stirling spent a couple of days with her mother, Mrs. Jas. Clarke.

Mr. Arthur Juby intends moving on the farm lately occupied by Mr. Wm. K. Reid.

Mrs. W. French and Master Melville spent a day last week in Belleville.

From another Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dodds of Brechin who have been visiting relatives here for a few days left on Tuesday morning for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodds and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Clarke were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrews on Monday evening.

We hear Mr. Albert Eggleton purchased a new piano while in Toronto.

Mrs. Fred Caldwell came down from Toronto on Monday night to visit her mother, Mrs. Miles Reid, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Reid.

Mr. Stanley Eggleton, who has been working for an electric light Co. at Niagara Falls is spending a few days with his brother in Marmora, who has been on the sick list for some time, but is now able to be around again, we are glad to hear.

Wellman's Corners

Mr. German Sills and daughter of Belleville were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fanning a week ago.

Miss Baker of Ernestown is visiting at Mr. P. Burgess'.

Miss Kerr of Madoc spent the week end at Mr. A. Morton's.

Messrs. W. Jackman and C. Morton attended the county Orange meeting at Madoc on Feb. 1st.

That the Epworth League is up and doing is evident from the following: On Feb. 1st they were favored by an interesting address by Mr. Mellor on the subject of "Forward Movement."

On Friday evening, Feb. 4th, a large number from here were entertained by the Bethel League to a social evening, which was a very pleasant event.

Under the leadership of Mr. H. Hoover about thirty of our young people responded to an invitation to take part in the service of the Stirling Epworth League on Monday evening last and on their return were loud in their praise of the good time provided by the Stirling friends. We hope for a return visit in the near future.

Miss Emma Rainnie and Mrs. Mason are delegates this week to the E. L. convention in Cobourg.

Chatterton Chips

The dairymen have been harvesting their ice crop lately, and it is of fine quality and well matured.

Blake Sables has returned from his two months' visit to the western States, and brought a bride with him. "She's from Missouri."

Will Frederick, who had the misfortune to break his leg about a month ago has so far recovered that he starts for his home in Kitley, Sask., this week.

We are having lots of measles, pink eye, etc., in this section.

We understand that C. A. Gardner of Foxboro has run his auto, (which is a Ford) all winter, until the last snow storm, having been to Picton, Madoc, Tweed, and other places a number of times. He has taken quite a number of orders for spring delivery already.

That's the kind of a machine to have.

The log pile at W. D. Smith's mill yard has started to grow again, and they expect to start sawing soon.

Have you seen the comet?

Official returns show that during 1909 the people of the United Kingdom paid the farmers of Canada forty million dollars for wheat, five millions for flour, ten millions for cattle, six millions for cheese, and twenty-two millions for produce, with smaller amounts for other produce.

Do you know that croup can be prevented? Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even after the croupy cough appears and it will prevent the attack. It is also a certain cure for croup and has never been known to fail. Sold by all dealers.

Minto

We are exceedingly glad that Mrs. Sables is improving in health so speedily.

Miss Reid has returned home after a few weeks' visit in this neighborhood.

Miss Edith Thrasher is visiting friends in Madoc.

Miss Ida Sine has returned home after a few days' visit with relatives in Spring Brook.

Mr. and Mrs. Inkerman Baragar, Elm Creek, Man., made a flying visit to friends in this neighborhood.

Our Literary Society met last Tuesday evening, and a splendid program was rendered. Mr. Howson's address, which was not only instructive but entertaining, was thoroughly appreciated by all. The debate, "Resolved that Winter is preferable to Summer," was won by the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at a late hour to meet on Feb. 22nd at 7.30 p.m., when a still more instructive evening is looked forward to.

Anson News

Mr. Bert and Miss Evalena Eggleton are home from Peterboro for a few days entertaining friends from Picton and Green Point.

The C.O.R. ran an excursion from Trenton to Lindsay to accommodate the Trenton hockey team, and who were defeated by a score of 4-6.

Mr. W. Hannah of Cooper is visiting his son, Mr. H. W. Hannah.

Miss E. Wannamaker of Hartsmere and Miss Graine of Hastings were the guests of Miss Rosie Hannah this week.

Miss Flossie Heath of Harold visited Miss Hazel McMullen on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Elda Garrison spent Sunday at her home.

Anson and Glen Ross have arranged for a hockey match soon.

Miss Bessie Hubble, for the past week, has been visiting friends in Campbellford.

Mt. Pleasant

Miss Annie Somers and cousin are visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Johnson of Minto.

Measles are all the rage now.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potts are visiting friends at Northport.

Mr. Ernest McDonald is visiting his uncle at Norwood.

A large party gathered at the home of Mr. F. Young on Thursday evening and spent a very enjoyable time eating oysters.

Miss Maggie Sharpe is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Watson of Wellman's.

Some people prefer a cutter to a sleigh load.

We hope the engineer of the gasoline saw don't catch the measles.

Report of S. S. No. 6, Rawdon

Arithmetic—

IV. Class—I Sine 73%.

III—F Martin 95, S McMullen 90, M Bailey 84, L McMullen 81, C McMullen 68, V Sine 63, A Green 55.

II—J. Waller 93, E Bateson 83, P Sine 80, E Martin 70, E Cranston 48.

Sr. Pt. II—D Bennisson 81, S Waller 70, L McMullen 60, A Bailey 50, J Bradley 40, P Benedict 20.

Jr. Pt. I—L Tucker 98.

Sr. I—M Tucker 95, F Martin 76.

Geography—

IV.—I Sine 98.

III.—V Sine 87, S McMullen 87, M Bailey 83, F Martin 85, A Green 67, C McMullen 63, L McMullen 57.

II.—P Sine 83, L Waller 78, E Bateson 65, E Martin 61.

Spelling—

Sr. and Jr. Pt. II.—P Benedict 91, L McMullen 90, S Waller 88, L Tucker 78, A Bailey 76, J Bradley 74.

I.—F Martin 88, M Tucker 86.

Grammar—

IV.—I Sine 75, M Bailey 68.

III.—V Sine 91, L Narrie 75, F Martin 62, C McMullen 60, S McMullen 60, L McMullen 43.

II.—E Bateson 95, P Sine 80, L Waller 78, E Cranston 77, E Martin 76.

Average attendance 21.

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A safe and pleasing syrup—See Druggists.

CAUSE OF WEBBWOOD WRECK

Derailment Through Truck of First-Class Car Leaving Track.

A despatch from Sudbury says: The jury investigating the Webbwood wreck on Friday night returned the following verdict and recommendations:—

"We find, according to the evidence, that Jacob Ryasznyk came to his death as a result of the derailment of part of train No. 7, on Jan. 21st, 1910, at a point on the 'Go' branch of the C. P. R., where the railway crosses the Spanish River, and on the easterly approach to the bridge.

"Said derailment being caused by the forward truck of the first-class car leaving the track, and plunging over the embankment, followed by the dining and sleeping car, also causing derailment of the second-class car. But this jury is unable to determine the cause for the truck of the said first-class car leaving the track.

"We would recommend that the following be thoroughly investigated by the Railway Commission for Canada:—

(1) Are three sectionmen sufficient to keep an eight-mile section in proper condition during the winter, in the rigorous climate of Northern Ontario?

(2) Should openings be placed in the roof of cars, capable of being opened from either inside or outside of the car, suitable for the escape of passengers in case of overturned cars?

(3) Should emergency tools be carried at convenient places outside of cars as well as inside?"

(Signed)
"J. M. McLeod, Foreman."

COMET SCARES INDIANS.

Oldest Chief Says Disaster Has Always Followed Them.

A despatch from St. Peter's Reserve, Manitoba, says: Indians throughout the Canadian Northwest are much excited over the appearance of the comet, and their old men predict a disaster. Old "Whites Owl," the centenario and dean of the Indian chiefs, asserts that he remembers many comets, and his people always suffered. They were unsuccessful in war and the fish and game disappeared, and famine and fever raged. The appearance of the comet last week has resulted in many pow-wows.

FATIENT STABS HIMSELF.

While Delirious in Hospital Took His Own Life.

A despatch from Toronto says: Suffering from delirium, brought on by a bad case of typhoid fever, George Bones, an Englishman, 20 years of age, committed suicide in the General Hospital on Sunday afternoon by stabbing himself in the heart with a pair of scissors while his attendant nurse had her back turned. He died a short while afterwards, despite the efforts of the doctors to save his life.

TRAVELLERS OBJECT.

Closing Winnipeg Postoffice on Sundays May Cause Trouble.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Commercial travellers who make this city their headquarters on Sundays are up in arms over the decision of the Government to close the Postoffice on Sunday at the request of the Lord's Day Alliance and most strenuous opposition is going to be offered to the innovation. A delegation may go to Ottawa to fight it.

JAPAN'S NEW NAVY.

Twenty-two Warships are Being Added to the Fleet.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: Twenty-two warships are to be built for addition to the Japanese navy by 1917, under the new programme, according to advices brought by the Awa Maru on Wednesday. Eleven, including four Dreadnoughts, are practically complete. The others are five cruisers and two despatch boats. The rest are about to be laid down.

LEFT \$6,000,000 ESTATE.

Sir George Drummond's Will—Divided Between Family.

A despatch from Montreal says: The will of the late Sir George Drummond has not yet been admitted to probate, but it is understood that he leaves an estate of about \$6,000,000, which will be divided between Lady Drummond and his three sons.

ANOTHER MINE EXPLOSION

Sixty-Eight Men Killed in Mexico—Others May be Still Below.

A despatch from Mexico City says: At nightfall 68 bodies had been recovered from the Palau mine of the South Coahuila Coal Company, in the State of Coahuila, Mexico, where an explosion occurred on Wednesday. Besides the dead, eight wounded have been brought to the surface. While an accurate estimate of the number at work when the explosion occurred is not yet possible, it is expected that few, if any, are still in the mine.

The Palau mine is considered one of the best equipped of Mexican mines with modern provisions for the safety of the workmen.

A despatch from Monterrey, Colorado, says: Monday's explosion in the main mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., claimed 75 victims and left 35 widows and 65 fatherless children. These facts were determined late Wednesday afternoon when the official canvass of the company was completed and the names of the missing men were checked with the payroll.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

Mr. Wm. Burton, Toronto's paymaster, died on Thursday.

The C. P. R. line from Winnipeg to Brandon will be double-tracked.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to blow up the T. & N. O. Railway station at Cobalt with dynamite.

The Canadian Northern will spend five million dollars on new terminals at Montreal.

Rev. Thomas Nicholson, a native of Woodburn, Ont., may be appointed President of Boston University.

Charles McGill, formerly Manager of the defunct Ontario Bank, was released from Kingston on Friday.

Seventeen Scotch immigrants are held up at Halifax for not having the amount of money prescribed by the regulations.

Alfred Nevills, who it is alleged was injured by a lamp thrown at him by his wife, died in Hamilton Hospital on Thursday.

Manager Turner of the Canadian Copper Company denies that there is any combine in the nickel industry in Canada.

Provision for a Royal Commission on technical education will be made in the supplementary estimates to be submitted to the House of Commons.

Eleanora Brown, alias Molly Booker, a colored woman, wanted in Bloomington, Ill., for the murder of her mistress, was arrested at Winnipeg.

Fire broke out in Trinity Episcopal Church, Quebec, during Sunday evening service, but the congregation marched out in good order, and little damage was done. Forsythe, Fraser & Weir's wholesale and fur warehouse at London, Ont., and Reason & Company's premises were damaged on Saturday. Loss \$60,000.

INCREASE IN DOMINION REVENUE FOR JANUARY.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The financial statement of the Dominion for the month of January, and for the first ten months of the fiscal year, shows an increase of revenue for the month of \$1,481,393, and for the ten months of \$12,672,890, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. The total revenue for the month was \$8,120,441, and for the ten months \$81,510,522. Of the total increases in revenue \$10,203,449 is credited to customs. Total expenditures on consolidated fund account for the ten months show on the other hand, a decrease of \$2,362,743, and on capital account of \$9,556,324. The total expenditure on consolidated fund account for the ten months was \$59,673,472, or \$21,832,050 less than the revenue. The total expenditure on capital account has been \$27,259,215. The total net debt of the Dominion at the end of the month was \$329,369,970, an increase of \$21,643,943, for the year.

A HUNDRED HOMICIDES.

New York City's Record for the Year Just Closed.

A despatch from New York says: There were more than 2,000 violent deaths in New York city last year, and an even hundred homicides. The exact number of violent deaths, as shown in the coroner's annual report, submitted on Wednesday, was 2,067. Sixty of the homicides were by shooting, 26 were due to stabbing, while blunt instruments and fists were responsible for the other fourteen. Suicides totalled 442. Subway and elevated trains and surface cars killed 89 persons; automobiles and motor cycles, 46; and horse vehicles, 79. Of the automobile victims 23 were children; while 41 children were killed by trucks, wagons, etc., and 22 by surface cars.

C. P. R. IMPROVEMENT.

Company Expected to Spend \$30,000,000 in the West.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The Canadian Pacific is preparing to expend a huge sum, said to be thirty million dollars, upon construction and betterment work in the west this season. The exact amount and the programme will be finally decided upon at the conference in Montreal within a few days, when Vice-President White and his assistant, C. Dennis, will represent the western system. The double-tracking from Winnipeg to Brandon and the completion of 235 miles of track-laying connecting Moose Jaw with Custer, giving direct communication with Edmonton over the new line, will probably take place, and the Weyburn-Lethbridge line will also be completed.

MR. MATHESON BREAKS ARM.

Provincial Treasurer Meets With Painful Accident.

A despatch from Toronto says: While proceeding down the walk from the Parliament buildings on Thursday evening shortly after the adjournment of the Legislature, Hon. A. J. Matheson slipped and fell, fracturing his left arm just below the shoulder. The accident occurred about one hundred feet from the entrance of the House, at a spot where the walk inclines rather sharply. The Provincial Treasurer, after being assisted to his feet by Col. Hugh Clark, M.P., of Centre Bruce, who was with him, was able to walk back to the rooms of the Hon. Dr. Frye. The Minister of Education reduced the fracture, and Mr. Matheson was later removed in a private ambulance to the Western Hospital.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 8.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, \$4.30 to \$4.35 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and \$4.20 to \$4.25 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, \$5.70; seconds, \$5.20 to \$5.30, and strong bakers', \$5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.13, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern \$1.11 Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed red Winter or white \$1.07 to \$1.03 outside.

Barley—No. 2, 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 38½ to 39c outside, and 41c on track, Toronto. Canada West oats, 43 to 43½ for No. 2 and 42 to 43½ for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—83½ to 84c outside.

Rye—No. 2 68c outside.

Buckwheat—53½ to 55c outside for No. 2.

Corn—New kiln-dried No. 3 74½c, and No. 3 new yellow, selected, 71½c, Toronto freights.

Brans—\$22.50 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, \$24, in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—\$1.50 to \$3 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, \$1.75 to \$1.90, and small lots at \$2 to \$2.15 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, dozen, \$2 to \$2.50, extracted, 10½ to 11c per lb.

Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, \$13.50 to \$14, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$12.50 on track, Toronto.

Baled straw—\$7.50 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—47 to 50c per bag on track for Ontarios.

Poultry—Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb.; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowl, 10 to 11c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 20 to 22c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27c, and solids, 24 to 25c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 33 to 34c per dozen, and storage, 25c per dozen.

Cheese—12½c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 14½ to 14¾c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, \$20.50 to \$27; short cut, \$23 to \$29.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15½c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14 to 14½c; shoulders, 13 to 13½c; breakfast bacon, 17½ to 18c; backs, 19 to 20c.

Lard—Tierces, 15½c; tubs, 16c; pails, 16½c.

BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 46 to 46½c; No. 2, 45 to 45½c; Ontario No. 2 white, 41 to 44½c; do., No. 3 white, 43 to 43½c; do., No. 4 white, 42 to 43½c; Barley—No. 2, 59½ to 60c; No. 3, 58½c; No. 4, 56½c; feed barley, 54½c.

Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.80; do., seconds, \$5.30; Winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', \$5.10; straight rollers \$5.10 to \$5.25; do., in bags, \$2.40 to \$2.50. Feed—Ontario bran \$22.50 to \$23; Ontario middlings, \$23.50 to \$24; Manitoba bran, \$22; Manitoba shorts, \$23; pure grain mouille, \$21 to \$23; mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29. Cheese—westerns, 12 to 12½c; easterns, 11½ to 11¾c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 25 to 26c; fresh receipts at 24 to 25c. Eggs—Selected new laid, 36 to 38c; selected No. 1 stock, 29 to 30c, and No. 1 candled, 25 to 27c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, Feb. 8.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.16½ to \$1.17½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; May, \$1.10½. Rye—No. 1, 81c. Corn—May, 66½c. Barley—Standard, 71 to 71½c.

Buffalo, Feb. 8.—Wheat—Spring wheat steady; No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, \$1.19½; Winter, No. 2 white, \$1.28. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 66½c; No. 4 yellow, 66½c; No. 3 corn, 65½ to 66c; No. 4 white, 64½ to 65c. Oats—Firm.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—There were no choice cattle on the market, and a good price was about the top price paid; pretty good animals sold at 6½c to 7½c; common stock, 2½ to 4c per lb. calves cows from \$30 to \$60 each. Calves from 4 to 6c per lb. Sheep 4½c per lb; lambs, 6½c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs from 9 to 9½c per lb.

Ontario, Feb. 8.—Prime butchers' sold at \$5 to \$5.60, while export-cows were firm at \$5.50 to \$6. Cows and bulls were in strong demand at from \$4 to \$5.10. Sheep were

ALL DOGS MUST BE MUZZLED

Spread of Rabies in Ontario May Lead to the Order.

A despatch from Toronto says: Rabies in a very violent form has broken out in several portions of Ontario, particularly the western district, and the provincial and Dominion authorities are now exchanging correspondence and taking steps to prevent the disease from spreading any farther. That the outbreak is a serious one is not doubted, but the provincial authorities prefer not to discuss it. Numerous dogs and cows have been destroyed as a result of the outbreak, and no less than four people have had to go to the Pasteur Institute at New York for treatment, the result of bites by mad dogs.

Investigation has proven that the origin of the outbreak is traceable to an episode which took place three or four weeks ago, when a mad dog ran across the International Bridge at Lewiston, to Queenston, and thence up the stone road to Niagara Falls, Ont., where it bit several dogs on its rampage. It finally fell exhausted in a field and died.

Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, secretary of

the Provincial Board of Health and Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Dominion veterinary director-general, are in conference with regard to the situation. The Dominion department has charge of all veterinary and live stock matters, while the provincial authorities look after all questions pertaining to health. Numerous conferences already have taken place at the Parliament Buildings with regard to what action is to be taken to cope with the spread of the disease.

It is altogether probable that a general inspection will be ordered and stringent regulations adopted to prevent the spread of hydrophobia, which has been alarming, to say the least. One order which may be issued is that all dogs in Ontario must be muzzled, and if so special officers will be appointed to enforce the order. The situation is regarded as being most dangerous in the cities. The real danger is from mad dogs running at large. Some owners of cattle have been bitten by mad dogs, and in two cases veterinarians were bitten while attending to sick cattle.

weak and 25c lower, but lambs were steady at last quotations. Hogs weak and unchanged at \$9.10 f.o.b. and \$9.35 fed and watered.

VOTED RELATIVES INCREASES

Two Days Before the People Turned Them Out.

A despatch from Montreal says: There are many curious echoes from the city hall. A faction of the defeated host claim that two of the newly elected controllers may be proceeded against on the ground that they have not properly qualifications. It also transpires that at a secret session of the road committee two days before the election, presided over by Chairman Giroux, a general increase was voted to the employees, a son of Giroux, getting an advance of \$600, and Gallery's cousin \$600.

MERRITON BLOCK BURNED.

Fire Caused by Explosion of Stove in Chinese Laundry.

A despatch from St. Catharines says: The explosion of a gasoline stove in a Chinese laundry in Merriton on Thursday caused a fire which almost completely destroyed the Hough Block, in which are situated Mrs. Hunniford's grocery, Chas. Roantree's barber shop, a Chinese laundry and an Italian fruit store. The Lincoln, Riordan and Merriton hose companies responded to the alarm, and after two hours' work succeeded in getting control of the fire. The loss is estimated at about \$5,000, with very little insurance.

HOW TO PAY A CITY DEBT.

Have Somebody Insured for a Sufficient Sum.

A despatch from Bridgeport, Conn., says: Insurance on his life for between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, the city to pay the premiums and receive the benefits under the policies at his death, is the novel scheme for paying the city debt, presented by David S. Beach, of the Bridgeport common council. He stipulates in return that the city erect to his memory a monument with a suitable inscription, acclaiming him the originator of municipal life insurance.

TRAGEDY AND CARNIVAL

Parisians Must Not Block Sewers With Confetti During Celebrations.

A despatch from Paris says: The floods continue to subside. Communications are being restored on all sides, although much still remains to be done.

The telegraph lines are yet in poor shape, and messages are greatly delayed. Except for the distribution of food the distress in the suburbs is still unrelieved. The water there is still deep in the houses and factories. Work cannot be obtained. Access from Paris is also very difficult.

The prefect of police has forbidden the throwing of confetti during the carnival celebrations this week lest it block the sewers. Anybody who has seen the amazing quantities of confetti strewn in fete times in the boulevards and left to be washed in to the drains by scavengers will not wonder at the police order. Some of the newspapers are urging that the carnival celebrations be abandoned and that the money ordinarily spent on them be devoted to the sufferers.

The greatest energy is being shown by the Health Department with the view to forestalling an epidemic. Many tons of disinfectants have been distributed already and the work continues ceaselessly. The Government will apply to Parliament for much larger appropriations. The first grant already has been absorbed. A partial indication of the commercial losses can be obtained from the fact that one wine merchant lost 35,000 gallons of wine, which was washed into the Seine from banded warehouses at Percy.

The Gambling Evil

It is the duty of every Quarterly Official Board in the Methodist church in Canada to appoint a committee from its members on Temperance and Moral Reform. The Stirling committee is composed of the whole Board. At the regular meeting on Monday last the question of the serious spread of the gambling evil was considered, and in view of the permission given by the Directors at our last Agricultural Show to certain attractions of a doubtful sort, and the stand taken by the local paper, it was unanimously resolved—

"That in view of the serious and apparently increasing evil of gambling, we commend the position of this News-Argus in its attitude of opposition to all forms of attraction at the Agricultural Show which have the appearance of gambling, and earnestly hope that in future any application to operate such will be refused permission by the Directors."

At the meeting of the Quarterly Official Board of the Rawdon Methodist circuit, held at Bethel church on Saturday last, the following resolution was unanimously carried:

That this Methodist Quarterly Official Board of Rawdon circuit, representing a considerable portion of the constituency interested in the success and influence of the Stirling Agricultural Society's Exhibition, endorse the position taken by the editor of the Stirling News-Argus regarding the allowing of games of chance on the grounds of the Fair, and would respectfully urge the directors of the Society to prohibit all such devices from the grounds.

Methodist Church

A very impressive sermon was preached by Rev. H. L. Phelps in the Methodist church here on Sunday evening last, from the 25th verse of the 16th chapter of Proverbs "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." The end thereof are the ways of death. There are seeming realities in life which are frauds. There are investments that on the face of them look good, but when probed are found worthless. Truth sometimes is heavily veiled, but nevertheless it is there, and on the other hand, evil is often deeply covered, but the outer appearance seems fair, but when thoroughly investigated presents its dark and sordid character. The same is practically true regarding the morals of men and women. What the world sees may be fair, but the character may be evil. Character is that which endures, that which is engraven in stone. Our influence is great! We little know the effect of a word dropped to a newly made acquaintance, or the result of a misstep.

"Our echoes roll from soul to soul, And grow forever and forever." We cannot undo the things once done! "The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ, Moves on; nor all our piety nor wit Shall lure it back to cancel half a line, Nor all our tears wash out a word of it."

How do we know what to do? Reason asks "Is it wise?" Conscience inquires "Is it right?" The Christian interrogates "Is it for the Glory of God?" Reason works from the material standpoint, from the viewpoint of the world, from the desire for pleasure, wealth and attainment, and dictates a way that "seemeth right, but the end—" Conscience is that which approves the right, but it may be misguided. Evil may sometimes be done conscientiously. Saul persecuted the Christians according to the dictates of his conscience. Conscience can only be followed when backed by right reasoning and when in agreement with the Word of God. Therefore search the Scriptures and obtain a wide knowledge of the Bible, which alone is infallible truth. It is our guide, our instructor, our foundation for this life and that which is to come, where all is peace.

While the offering was being taken a very pleasing solo, "Oh Eyes that are Weary" was rendered by Miss P. Kerr of Madoc.

Stirling Board of Education

Minutes of the first meeting of the Stirling Board of Education for the current year held the 2nd day of February, 1910, at the office of the Secretary at 7 p.m.

Members present, M. Bird, Chairman; J. D. Bissonnette, John Shaw, Dr. C. F. Walt, W. J. Reynolds, Dr. G. W. Faulkner, W. S. Martin, J. S. Morton, Dr. H. H. Alger, and J. T. Belshaw.

After the newly appointed and elected trustees had taken the declaration of office the Secretary called for nominations for Chairman for the year 1910.

Moved by W. S. Martin, seconded by W. J. Reynolds, that Mr. Bird be Chairman for 1910. No other nominations being made he was declared elected.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by J. S. Morton that a nominating committee consisting of Dr. Faulkner, W. S. Martin, Dr. C. F. Walt, John Shaw and J. T. Belshaw be appointed for the purpose of selecting the various committees and appointing their Secretary-Treasurer.

The nominating committee reported the following, and upon motion was carried:

Secretary-Treasurer—G. G. Thrasher
Finance Committee—J. S. Morton, Dr. H. H. Alger, and E. T. Ward.
Property Committee—Dr. J. D. Bissonnette, J. T. Belshaw, W. J. Reynolds.
Member of Library Board—J. L. Ashley.

Teachers' Committee—Dr. C. F. Walt, W. S. Martin, Dr. G. W. Faulkner.
Visiting Committee—M. Bird, C. F. Walt, Thompson, Dr. G. W. Faulkner, John Shaw, Dr. H. H. Alger, J. T. Belshaw, Dr. J. D. Bissonnette.
Cadet Corp and Physical Culture Committee—Dr. C. F. Walt, Dr. H. H. Alger, W. S. Martin.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Walt, that the hour of the meeting of the School Board in future shall be 8 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Martin seconded by Dr. Faulkner that this Board adjourn to meet on the 10th day of February, at the office of the Secretary.

G. G. THRASHER, Sec.-Treas.

The High Cost of Living

BREAD THE STAFF OF LIFE

People Should Eat More Bread—Consumption is Small

Less Than Five Per Cent of the Food Bill of the Average Family

"Eat more bread and less of the luxuries, and the health of the nation will be improved both physically and financially," declared Mr. F. W. Thompson, vice-president and managing director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., in an interview.

"There is no question but that the farmers have been benefitting by the high prices of all agricultural products, and personally I feel that this is well for our country. Agriculture is the fundamental basis of our commercial prosperity. In order for the business interests of Canada to prosper, agriculture must be prosperous, and the greater the prosperity of our farmers the greater will be the development of our commercial and manufacturing interests and the maintenance of good wages."

"From time immemorial bread has been recognized as the staff of life, and when the question of the cost of food is discussed, anywhere, the subject of bread is always paramount. Yet how few people there are who realize the astounding fact that in the average family the consumption of bread forms less than five per cent of the total food supplies. Let every housekeeper analyze their monthly bills, and they will find the small proportion that the consumption of bread bears to the whole. As a matter of fact, the average family spends more in reading matter and amusements in two months than their entire cost of breadstuffs for a whole year."

"It is quite true, generally speaking, that the foodstuffs are higher because of the great commercial development which is taking place on this continent, resulting in migration by the younger generation to the industrial centres of population, causing a more closely balanced condition of supply and demand, and which is being remedied by the greater development of the land."

"When considering the cost of the loaf of bread delivered into the home by the baker in our cities, as compared with foreign markets, it must be borne in mind that the wages in the manufacturing of bread in a city like ours averages from 60 to 70 per cent. higher than abroad."

"In proportion to population, London buys more low grade flour than any other bread eating city in the world. There is no high grade flour exported from Canada to London, at least the proportion is so small as to be a negligible quantity."

"So far as my investigation goes, the butter bill in the average family in its relation to the cost of bread is double, and in the case of milk nearly treble. Meat, of course, bears a higher relative cost than any of these four items. Examine your home expenditures, and you will find that bread is the cheapest article of food, and always has been. In this connection it must be considered that feeding stuffs of all kinds have been relatively higher during the past three years because of the fact that consumption has closely overtaken production. There never has been a time in the history of our country when the opportunities afforded for the development of our farming lands were more favorable, when we consider that in our three prairie provinces there are over 250 million acres of arable land, of which over 100 million acres are suitable for wheat production, and less than seven million acres at present under cultivation."

"The trouble is not that of the high cost of living, but the high and extravagant living and over-indulgence in expensive luxuries."

"The per capita consumption per annum of wheat flour is a little over a barrel per year, and the average per capita consumption of bread per day in Canada is less than three cents."—From the Montreal Gazette of Jan. 28, 1910.

THE NEW 'NORTHERN MESSENGER'

Our good old friend, the "Northern Messenger," published by John Douglas & Son, "Witnes office, Montreal, and for over forty years a favorite with the Canadian people, has since taken on a new lease of life, and has become a publication that it really looks like a new publication.

Colored illustrations, made possible by the new press recently installed, are very greatly to the attractiveness, as also the fact that it is now pasted and cut, and the number of pages increased to sixteen for ordinary issues, and twenty-four for special numbers. The matter contained in this popular little weekly is of the highest quality, and the publishers are greatly to be desired. A three weeks' free trial and specially low rates are offered to Sunday school in Canada, and the publishers' special offer to new schools is well worth a moment's inquiry. Annual subscription rate for individual subscribers is forty cents (30c.) a year.

While it is often impossible to prevent an accident, it is never impossible to be prepared—It is not beyond any one's purse. Invest 25 cents in a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and you are prepared for sprains, bruises, and like injuries. Sold by all druggists.

WARNING !!

THE SEYMOUR POWER & ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED

Wishes to call the attention of the Public to the following extract from the Criminal Code:

492—Every one is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to two years' imprisonment, who wilfully:

- (a) Destroys, removes or damages anything which forms part of, or is used or employed in or about any electric or magnetic telegraph, electric light, telephone, or fire-alarm, or in the working thereof, or for the transmission of electricity for other lawful purposes; or
- (b) Prevents or obstructs the sending, conveyance or delivery of any communication by any such telegraph, telephone or fire-alarm, or the transmission of electricity for any such electric light, or for any such purpose as aforesaid.

2—Any one who wilfully by any overt act, attempts to commit any such offence, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, or to three months' imprisonment, with or without hard labour.—R. S. C. c. 168, ss. 40 and 41.

To constitute an offence the act must be done without legal justification or excuse and without color or right.—Sec. 48 (2).

Several High Tension Insulators on the transmission lines of the Company have already been broken, and it is the intention of the Company to put a stop to this practice at any cost. With this object in view

A REWARD OF \$100.00

Is offered for information leading to the conviction of any person or persons who may destroy or attempt to destroy Insulators or any other property of the Company whatsoever, or who may in any other way interfere with the safe operation of its transmission lines.

As any interference with the transmission lines causes grave danger to life and property the Company wishes it to be distinctly understood that no leniency will be shown, but that offenders will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

SEYMOUR POWER & ELECTRIC CO. LIMITED

Village Council

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Stirling Municipal Council held the 7th day of February at eight o'clock, p.m., at the Council Chamber.

Members present, W. R. Mather, Reeve; L. Meiklejohn, R. P. Coulter, J. W. Haight and S. Wright.

Moved by Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded by Mr. Coulter, that the Council adjourn to the office of the Secretary.

Minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved.

A by-law was introduced by the Reeve for the appointment of officers for 1910 and upon motion of Mr. Meiklejohn seconded by Mr. Wright the same was read a first time and referred to a committee of the whole on by-laws, Mr. Coulter in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Coulter, seconded by Mr. Meiklejohn that the by-law be read a second time clause by clause, which was done, and the committee rose and reported. The report was adopted and was referred back to the Council.

Moved by Mr. Mather, seconded by Mr. Meiklejohn that the by-law receive its third reading by title only, passed in open Council, signed, sealed and numbered 260.

Moved by Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded by Mr. Haight, that Mr. Sprentall have until the 8th of March before taking any electrical supplies.

The following were appointed officers for 1910:

G. G. Thrasher, Clerk.
T. G. Clute, Treasurer.
Alfred McCutcheon, Assessor.
E. T. Caverley, Collector.
E. T. Williams and J. T. Belshaw, Auditors.

F. A. Sprentall, Sanitary Inspector, Truant Officer, village engineer, caretaker of town hall and fire hall, village electrician.

T. G. Clute, Cemetery Overseer.
James Conley, Poundkeeper.
William Kyle, Lyman Wheeler, and Wm. Jackson, Fence Viewers.

On motion of Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following accounts were ordered to be paid:

Electric light.....\$ 93 12
Interior wiring.....89 77
News-Argus.....19 85
A. McCutcheon.....10 50
Telephone and telephone.....2 22
Chas. Boldrick, lumber.....10 88
I. O. P. 239.....18 00
H. M. Gullett, wood.....1 50
John Green, P. Deane.....16 93
John Green, cover for engine.....6 20

A communication was read by Mr. Belshaw from Dr. J. S. Sprague offering to donate to the corporation for erection over the fire hall door, a brass lion.

Moved by Mr. Mather, seconded by Mr. Coulter, that the kind offer of Dr. Sprague be accepted, and that the Clerk communicate with him thanking him for the same.

On motion Council adjourned.

G. G. THRASHER, Clerk.

A few minutes delay in treating some cases of croup even for a length of time it takes to go for a doctor often proves dangerous. The safest way is to keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house, and at the first indication of croup give the child a dose. Pleasant to take and it always cures. Sold by all dealers.

Rawdon Council

Rawdon Town Hall, Jan. 31, 1910. Council met pursuant to adjournment. Members all present.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

The agreement and specifications of job let to build bridge over sink hole was read and approved by the Council. Messrs. Samuel Forestell and John Bateman were to build a bridge guaranteed for \$200.

Mr. Cooke reported having seen a representative of the Seymour Electric Light and Power Co. in regard to trees cut on township roads. No action taken as yet.

Moved by Mr. Vance, seconded by Mr. Montgomery, that Mr. Geo. Sine have the privilege of doing his road work next year, and that he pay his taxes without interest. Carried.

In regard to dog tax no action taken at present.

Considerable correspondence was read and filed.

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Jeffs that the Clerk forward a copy of the assessment of each school section to the Sec.-Treas., chargeable to their section. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, that all applications for road grants be made to the Council on or before the 15th day of May, 1910. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Vance, that the rules be suspended for the purpose of appointing officials. Carried.

Mr. Hawkins introduced a by-law to appoint Roadmasters, Poundkeepers, and Fenceviewers. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Jeffs, seconded by Mr. Vance, that the Council go into a committee of the whole on by-laws, Mr. Cooke in the chair. Carried.

Mr. Cooke read by-law clause by clause.

Moved by Mr. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Jeffs that the committee rise and report. Carried.

By-law was then read in open Council, and signed, sealed and numbered 267.

Moved by Mr. Vance, seconded by Mr. Jeffs, that the Collector's roll be extended until next meeting of the Council. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Montgomery seconded by Mr. Hawkins that the following accounts be paid. Carried. J. R. Cooke, financial statements, \$6.00; W. F. Bateman, stationery, mailing voters' lists, post cards, telephone, express, padlock for ballot box, \$12.50; Richard Bailey, on salary as collector, \$60.00.

Council adjourned, to meet Monday, March 7th.

W. F. BATEMAN, Clerk.

A number of persons were found frozen to death in Ohio, New York Massachusetts and New Jersey.

LUMBER, LATH and Shingles

A full stock of Dressed and Rough Lumber, Lath and Shingles always on hand.

Agent for the Peterboro Lumber Co. Office at the Lumber Yard.

J. W. HAIGHT

The Hen is a Good Friend

When eggs are bringing present prices. Encourage her by taking home some of the following:

- Dr. Hess' Poultry Panacea
- Dr. Scott's Dietetic Poultry Compound
- Crushed Oyster Shells
- Herbageum
- Grit
- Morton's Condition Powder

J. S. MORTON

Dealer in Drugs, Paints, Wall Paper, Seeds, Etc.

THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO BUY

- Woollen Blankets. Children's Wool Clouds.
- Children's Wool Jackets.
- Men's Neck Scarfs.
- Boys' Leather Mitts.
- Toques. Furs. Felt Boots.
- Felt Slippers, etc.

As these goods are all reduced in price in order to clear them out.

Fresh Groceries—Everybody, when buying groceries, like to have fresh—and that is the way we keep our stock by buying in small quantities.

Prunes—Good, large sized Prunes, 10c. a lb.

Dates—1 lb Packages, nice and fresh, 10c. lb.

Cooking Figs—The best matt of Cooking Figs we have ever seen. Clean juicy Figs, 6c a lb.

Canned Goods—We bought our supply of Canned Peas, Corn and Tomatoes when they were cheap and new—you reap the advantage. Peas, Corn, Tomatoes, 3 cans for 25c.

J. BUCHANAN.

The Most Popular Paper in Ontario

The Toronto Daily Star

The best proof that people like a newspaper is their willingness to pay good money for it.

More people buy the "Toronto Daily Star" than any other Daily, Weekly or Monthly published in the Province of Ontario.

Moreover, the circulation of the "Toronto Daily Star" is increasing more rapidly than that of any other newspaper in Canada.

These things do not just happen. There must be a reason.

In this case there are several reasons.

The "Toronto Daily Star" publishes Market Reports 12 to 18 hours earlier than the morning papers. It is a Newspaper—not an "Organ"—political or any other kind.

Not only the Woman's Page, but the whole paper, is attractive to women.

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PERSONALS.

Mr. Oliver Alhright left on Tuesday to
visit his brother in Ottawa.

Miss Lottie Howes of Corbyville is the
guest of Miss Alice Patterson.

Miss Phoebe Kerr of Madoc was a guest
at the parsonage during the week.

Miss Maggie Baker of Mill Haven is the
guest of Miss Leona Burgess, Wellman's
Corners.

Mr. N. E. Eggleton and Miss Evalena
Eggleton are spending a few days at their
home at Anson.

Rev. W. H. Clarke is attending the bi-
ennial Conference Epworth League con-
vention at Cobourg.

Mr. Harry E. Hulst is in Cobourg this
week as delegate from the Epworth League
to the Conference convention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Baragar of Elm
Creek, Man., made a call on old acquaint-
ances and friends in Stirling yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Burgess have re-
turned home after spending a couple of
weeks with relatives in Kingston and
vicinity.

Mrs. Wm. Holden and Master Melville
of Vancouver, B.C., are spending a month
with relatives in Stirling, Madoc and
Montreal.

Mr. and Miss Kitchapaw of Fish Lake,
Miss Naylor of Deseronto, Miss Mildred
Rowe of Green Point, and Mr. Alston
Naylor of Stoughton, Sask., are guests of
Mr. G. A. Eggleton.

Woman's Home Companion for February

The February number has some striking
features. Dr. William Osler, the famous
physician, contributes a splendid article
on tuberculosis, which is the first of an
important editorial series. Omaha, seen
through the same eyes that criticised Cin-
cinnati and Pittsburgh, comes in for a
stirring article which is bound to make a
sensation.

The February number is in the main a
love story made up of a series of short
first part of "The House of Healing," by
Julius Wilbur Tompkins, a delightful and
natural serial story. Shorter fiction comes
from the pens of Anne Warner, Zona Gale,
Fannie Heaslip Lea, Owen Oliver and
others, and their charming romances are
enriched by illustrations from well-known
artists.

Delightful pages are given over to two
songs by Ward Stephens, and the most
unique ideas for St. Valentine's Day.

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various fields of human interest to the shift-
ing scenes of the world's great drama, to let-
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If you do not know 'World Wide' person-
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ADVERTISING NOTICES

In this column will be charged as follows:
To Regular Advertisers.—Three lines and un-
der, 25 cents each insertion; over that the
pro rata. Matter set in larger than the or-
dinary type, 10c. per line.
To Transient Advertisers.—10c. per line each
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:—
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.
Mail & Ex. 6.03 a.m. Passenger 10.37 a.m.
Passenger 6.45 p.m. Mail & Ex. 8.41 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 10, 1910.

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Toronto Board of Education has
announced the abolition of home work
for pupils. This example should be fol-
lowed in Stirling and other places.

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the
commencement of Lent. Good Friday
is this year on March 25th, Easter Sun-
day on March 27th. This is much
earlier than for many years.

Rev. Mr. Hiltz has announced that
for the next few Sundays he will preach
special sermons in the evening on some
of the great men of the New Testament,
beginning next Sunday with John the
Baptist, the herald preacher.

The Auxiliary of the W. M. S. of the
Methodist church will hold their annual
open meeting on Monday Feb. 28th in
the Sunday School room. An interest-
ing program is being prepared, and re-
freshments will be served. Admission
15c. and 10c.

Mr. Thos. H. McKee has the timber
on the ground for a large coal shed to
be built at the G. T. station. A cement
floor will be put in and the shed will
have a capacity for a large amount of
coal. Work will be commenced as soon
as spring opens.

A new catalogue has just been issued
for the Stirling Public Library. There
are now over eleven hundred books in
the Library, embracing all subjects, but
by far the larger proportion are works
of fiction, this kind of reading seeming
to be the most called for.

The delegation composed of commit-
tee of the County Council, members of
the Stirling Board of Education, village
Council, and Agricultural Society, left
today for Toronto to interview the
Government in reference to the estab-
lishing of an Agricultural Class in con-
nection with Stirling High School.

The Young People's Literary Society
will give the people of Stirling another
treat on Feb. 21st, having secured for
that date the well known lecturer, Rev.
A. Logan Gaggie, of Toronto, also Mr.
Ernest Hazeldine, a tenor vocalist of
international fame. Their subject will
be "The Rose, the Thistle, and the
Shamrock."

There has been considerable discus-
sion of late in some of the newspapers,
and also in Parliament, as to the pre-
sent high cost of living, and the great
increase that has taken place during the
past few years in the cost of many of
the necessities of life, and Parliament
has appointed a commission to investi-
gate the matter. In this connection an
article in another column on the "High
Cost of Living" will prove interesting.

On Monday night Col. W. N. Ponton,
M. A., of Belleville delivered in St. An-
drew's Presbyterian church his popular
lecture entitled "Travel Trip Around
the World." Altogether the Colonel
showed over three hundred views, be-
ginning with Japan and travelling
westward until he reached Victoria.
There was a large crowd to greet the
lecturer, and he held them in rapt atten-
tion for two hours. Many of the Canadian
slides shown were illustrative of the C.
P. R. and new G. T. P., and one thing
that was clearly manifest was that
while European countries have many
very pretty scenes, yet no country can
show such real natural beauty as is to
be seen by travelling along these lines
of Railway. Our mountain scenery is
something of which every Canadian has
reason to be proud. The Colonel may
be sure of a hearty reception when next
he comes to Stirling.

The inquest into the cause of death of
one Owen Nolan, whose home was near
Tweed, and whose dead body was found
in a box stall in the stable of the Stir-
ling House on December 27th last, was
concluded before Coroner J. D. Biss-
sonnette, M. D., and jurors J. S. Morton,
foreman; E. T. Goldsmith, F. T. Ward,
H. Hadley, Jas. E. Lagrow, J. L. Ash-
ey, W. J. Reynolds, G. H. Luey, F.
J. Wescott, J. W. Brown, J. M. McGee
and D. A. Buckitt on Tuesday last.
The verdict was, in short, "Death from
pneumonia and exposure, no foul play
as far as ascertained." It would be re-
membered that there was found on the
chin and lips of the deceased a green
substance resembling Paris green, which
fact gave rise to suspicion of foul play.
An autopsy was made by Dr. Potts,
and not only the stomach and contents,
but the green substance, was forwarded
to the Provincial analyst at Toronto for
examination. Several adjournments of
the inquest had to be made to await the
report of this analysis, and when it
came it was to the effect that no poison
was found, or anything to throw light
upon the cause of death. It is pleasing
to know that after careful inquiry no
evidence could be found to show that
this death was caused either by violence
or by poison.

If troubled with indigestion, constipa-
tion, no appetite, or feel bilious, give
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets
a trial and you will be pleased with the
result. These tablets invigorate the stom-
ach and liver and strengthen the digestion.
Sold by all dealers.

Debate on Church Union

The meeting of the Epworth League
of the Methodist church on Monday
evening next will be of more than ordi-
nary interest. A debate is to be given on
the subject "Resolved that the proposed
union of the Congregational, Presbyter-
ian and Methodist Churches in Canada
would be for the advancement of reli-
gion." This subject will be discussed
by two members of St. Andrew's con-
gregation and two from the Methodist
church, for the affirmative Messrs. L.
Meiklejohn and W. R. Howson, nega-
tive, Messrs. G. E. Kennedy, B.A., and
Dr. C. F. Walt. The question is one of
vital importance to all concerned. The
whole matter is to be dealt with at this
year's gatherings of the various church-
es, after five years' work by a large
committee from the three churches. A
basis of union has been prepared and
copies sent out to the officials of the
churches for consideration.

Special music will be given by the
male members of St. Andrew's and the
Methodist choir. The public are cordial-
ly invited.

A thoroughly enjoyable evening was
spent on Monday last at the Methodist
church, when the Epworth League of
Wellman's Corners made a friendly
visit to the Stirling League. Thirty or
more of the Wellman's young people
were present and members and friends
of the local society made a gathering
of about one hundred and twenty-five.
The visiting League supplied the pro-
gram, and after the formal opening of
the meeting their President, Mr. H.
Hoover, took charge. The topic, "How
to Have a Good Day," was most ably
presented by Miss M. Matthews, and her
excellent paper was highly spoken of by
many. A chorus by the choir of young
men, a solo by one of their number,
Mr. J. G. Woodward, with a solo and a
recitation by Miss Ivah Reid, completed
this part of the program, which was fol-
lowed by a guessing contest. The gath-
ering was divided into groups of four,
the group naming correctly the largest
number of persons whose portraits were
displayed being awarded a small prize.
The portraits were of men prominent in
both local and national church and
political life, and not a few were sur-
prised to find the number of faces which
were unfamiliar to them. The remain-
der of the evening's entertainment was
in the hands of the Stirling Leaguers,
and to further acquaintance among the
members of the two societies several
promenades were enjoyed. Refresh-
ments were also served. Such gath-
erings as this are of great value in
strengthening the tie that binds the
hearts in Christian love, as well as in
developing the social side of church life.
It is likely that a return visit will be
made in the near future.

L. O. L. At Home

The annual "At Home" of Stirling
L. O. L. No. 110 was held on the eve-
ning of Wednesday, Feb. 2nd in the
Opera House, and was, considered from
every point of view, a brilliant success.

The attendance was large, taxing the
utmost capacity of the house. The re-
freshments were appetizing and the
supply apparently inexhaustible, the
program, all furnished by local talent,
was of the usual high order, and the
promenades and dancing that followed
from midnight until well toward ap-
proaching dawn, were enjoyed by an
enthusiastic gathering whose motto
seemed to be "let joy be unconfined."

Mr. W. R. Howson very acceptably
occupied the chair and directed and
brought on the several portions of the
evening's entertainment in his usual
happy manner. The following program
was given:

Quartette—Messrs. McComb, Moore, Bird
and Ross.
Recitation—Miss Hazel Caverley.
Solo—Mrs. H. H. Alger.
Violin Solo—Mr. Earl Luey.
Solo—Miss Marjorie Meiklejohn.
Selection—The Quartette.
Recitation—Mr. Jas. Palmer.
Violin Solo—Mr. Earl Luey.
Selection—The Quartette.
Piano Duet—Misses Clara and Olive
Cummings.
Recitation—Mr. E. A. Morrow.
Comic Solo—Mr. Arthur Moore.
Violin Solo—Mrs. Jesse Tice.
Selection—The Quartette.

Hockey Notes

On Friday night, Feb. 4th, Mar-
mora brought down an intermediate
team and were defeated by a score of
12 to 4. The game was rather one-
sided, although the visitors had the
weight. The game was rather rough.

Stirling boys went to Marmora
Monday to play the return game.
Marmora boys wanted to win the
game, so they put on three seniors,
but the boys in red and white kept
their heads level and managed by
every man doing his duty to win by
a score of 9 to 8. The game was close
all the way through. At half time
the score was 5 to 5. The bell rang,
and play went on swifter than in the
first half. It became rather rough
and exciting as the Marmora spec-
tators became wild. The score stood
8 to 8 with just a half minute to play
when Stirling found the net and
made the ninth goal. Tom Butler
made a satisfactory referee.

Brighton is expected to play here
on Monday next, and the boys anti-
cipate a good game.

Mr. Robert Boyes, who has been on
the staff of the Campbellford High
school for nearly twenty years, has
been appointed Inspector of Public
Schools for East Northumberland.

Threatening feverishness with children
is quickly treated by Chamberlain's
Little Candy Gold Cure Tablets.
These little Candy Gold Cure Tablets
is all important. Preventives contain no
quinine, nothing harsh or sickening. They
are indeed the "stitch in time." Carried
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A GREAT FEAT

Under the caption "What has been done in
six months" the Montreal "Witness" has
issued a brief statement of its clientele, that
admirably serves to summarize the activities
of this truly great newspaper. We reproduce
this summary in part for our readers:
"The 'Witness' has been reorganized and
revitalized in all its departments. Editor-
ial and reporter staffs have been augmented
by the most experienced men to be procured.
The Advertising Department has been placed
under an advertising manager with 25 years'
experience in Canadian advertising. The size
of the 'Daily' and 'Weekly Witness' has al-
most doubled. The effect of the recent dis-
astrous fire which destroyed the 'Witness'
building and plant have been largely over-
come. Upwards of \$150,000 have been spent
in exploiting circulation. The most modern
presses, type, and equipment have been in-
stalled. The circulation of the 'Daily' and
'Weekly' issues has been increased by
thousands. The advertising has increased
over 30 per cent."

The Montreal "Witness" is indeed an ideal
family newspaper, maintaining at all times
a high moral standard, its news edited, well-
arranged, and its editorial acknowledged on
all sides to be "at once fair and forceful."
The very high place the Montreal "Witness"
holds in public esteem is well shown by the
chorus of sympathy and appreciation evoked
by their disappearance a few months ago, and
admiration was very generally expressed for
the vigor and energy displayed in grappling
with the problem of reorganization.
Most of our readers want a metropolitan
paper as well as the indispensable local news-
paper, and they cannot do better than take
the "Witness." The price of the "Daily Wi-
ness" is \$3.00 a year, and of the "Weekly Wi-
ness" and "Canada's Home" \$1.00 a year.
Samples will be freely and promptly sent on
request by the publishers, JOHN DOUGALL
& SON, 110 St. James Street, Montreal. They
will be seen at the office of this paper which
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Croup positively stopped in 20 minutes
with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test
alone will surely prove this truth. No
vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleas-
ing syrup—50c. Sold by J. S. Morton.

Auction Sales

TUESDAY, FEB. 17TH.—On lot 21, in the
4th concession of Stoney, a few farm stock
and implements belonging to Mr. George
Barton. Sale at 12.30 p.m. sharp. Wm.
Rodgers, auctioneer.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18.—On east half of lot 7
in the 4th con. of Rawdon, a lot of farm
stock and implements belonging to Mr.
John Robinson. Sale at 2 o'clock, sharp.
Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19TH.—At the Kerby
House, Stirling, 8 good milch Cows, the
property of Mr. John T. Hagerty. Sale
at two o'clock. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, FEB. 23RD.—On lot 10, con. 11,
Rawdon, 11 good milch Cows, the property
of Mr. Patrick Tobin. Sale at one o'clock.
Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24.—On lot 4, con. 1,
Huntingdon, the farm stock and imple-
ments belonging to Mr. Wm. Wilson.
Sale at one o'clock, sharp. Wm. Rodgers,
auctioneer.

Married

WOODCOCK-MERRITT.—At the parsonage on
Jan. 28th by Rev. H. L. Phelps, Wm. Wood-
cock to Clarissa Merritt, all of Mohr.

KNOX-BIRD.—At the parsonage on Jan. 29th,
by Rev. H. L. Phelps, Harper Henry Knox
and Flossie Irene Bird, all of Trenton.

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A quantity of good sound Soft Wood for
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Apply to
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LOST

On Stirling streets, on Feb. 3rd, a solid
gold watch with "N. R." engraved on
front case. Finder will be suitably re-
warded by leaving same at L. MEIKLE-
JOHN'S Store.

RAWDON TAXES

Taxes will not be received by the United
Empire Bank, either at Stirling or Spring
Brook, after Feb. 25th. All taxes in the
township of Rawdon unpaid at above date
must be paid to the undersigned.

222 RICHARD BAILEY, Collector.

Notice!

All persons desiring to become members
of the Horticultural Society are requested
to send in their names and fee before
the 1st inst. as the meeting of the society
will be completed at that time. We expect
this year to surpass all previous records,
and the amount you pay will be well in-
vested. A prize of 100 Full Bush will be given for
the best kept lawn in Stirling during 1910.
J. S. MORTON, Secretary.

Notice to Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of Jer-
ome Conley, Sr., late of the Village
of Stirling, in the County of Hal-
tington, Cooper, deceased.

Notice hereby given that in pursuance of
the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chap. 129,
sec. 38, and amending Acts, that all creditors
and others having claims against the estate
of the late Jerome Conley, Sr., who died on
or about the eighth day of January, A.D. 1910,
are required, on or before the 28th day of
February, A.D. 1910, to send by post, prepaid,
or to deliver to J. T. Belsky, the Executor of
the last will and testament of Jerome Conley,
Sr., at the village of Stirling, in the County of
Halterton, Stirling post office, or his solicitor
as hereunder at Stirling post office, their
claims, statements of their accounts and the
nature of their securities, if any, held by them
verified by affidavit.
And further notice is given that after such
last mentioned date the executor will proceed
to distribute the assets of the deceased among
the parties entitled thereto, having regard
only to the claims of persons who shall have
given notice, and that the Executor will not be
liable for such assets or any part thereof to
any person or persons who shall have failed
to give notice as aforesaid.
And notice is further given that all persons
indebted to the said deceased must pay the
amount of their indebtedness to the said Ex-
ecutor, or his solicitor, forthwith.
G. G. THREASHER,
Solicitor for Executor.

Dated at Stirling, this 19th day of January,
A.D. 1910.

On or before February 15th, part of the
north half of Lot 20 in the 9th Concession
of Sidney, in the village of Stirling, part
cash, balance on easy terms of payment.

R. McDONELL,
Erindale, Ont.

New Masonic Hall

Is now available for social and other en-
gagements. For particulars of rental, etc.,
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ANDERSON'S STORE NEWS

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The Best English Print, 32 inches wide.....12½c.
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Men's Hockey Boots, "McPherson's".....\$3.50 for \$2.25.
" " " ".....\$3.00 " \$1.90
" " " ".....\$2.50 " \$1.50
" " " ".....\$1.50 " \$1.00
Women's "Lightning Hitch" Hockey Boots.....\$2.50 " \$1.75

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for other lines we have decided to sell these Stoves
at exceptional low figures. All these Stoves are
fully guaranteed, so that you are taking no
chances whatever. If any these lines do not do the
work we claim of them we will gladly refund you the
purchase price. Now is the time for you to buy
Stoves as they will go fast at the prices we are offer-
ing them.

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has just been closed by

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Substantial progress having been made in every branch of its business.
The Company begs to extend hearty thanks to the Canadian public
for its liberal patronage, and to its Policy Holders, old and new, best wishes
for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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OR, THE HERITAGE OF MADAME
VALTA.

CHAPTER III.—(Cont'd)

"Perhaps, too, he does not believe you will carry out your threat."

"Yes; these French always imagine it is impossible to treat them like simple mortals, and that one would not dare to act here as one would in St. Petersburg. But I charge myself with deceiving him. You will get ready for these transports, and when he sees it all drawn up he will decide, perhaps, to speak."

"The question is whether he has really anything to confess," said Vacili, timidly.

"Do you doubt it?"

"Your excellency, I should not allow myself to entertain a different opinion from my master, but if you will deign to hear my reasons—"

"Speak, I consent."

"First, it is likely that any one in league with Nihilists would so easily have fallen into the trap I laid for him! The rascals of that sort do not dream of embarking for America."

"I have not said he was a regularly enrolled Nihilist. Firstly, he is not Russian; he is merely a simpleton whom one of their infernal women has seduced."

"Your excellency forgets that he loved the daughter of M. Dorgeres."

"Did he not rob me of my papers on the very day he was dismissed by the banker? On that day he listened to the voice of a woman who had been his mistress. She promised him her protection in foreign parts, and he was content with the fifty thousand francs taken from the safe."

"Unless it was sent to him as he asserts."

"Bah! This person who suddenly remembers an old debt is a very improbable character."

"However it may be, your excellency, this accomplice of M. de Carnoel it has been impossible to find."

"Because the search has not been well made. The information I have recently received from the chief of the third section is very incomplete. There are obscure women whom no one has thought of as managing and arranging these plots. They knew that my casket contained the whole plan of my mission, all my correspondence with the general and the minister."

"What is extraordinary is that they should have been aware of the depositing of the casket with your banker."

"Informed by the secretary, no doubt."

"Your excellency, I have made a minute inquiry concerning the life led by the young man, and it is certain that he did not associate with a single Russian. I have gone so far as to obtain information concerning this Countess Valta, who has funds deposited at M. Dorgeres, and I am satisfied that he has never seen her."

"Oh, the Valta has no connection with Nihilists. I have pointed her out to the department. She has been watched very closely, and it is certain that she is not engaged in politics. Her father was a kind of Circassian prince, who sold his principality to the emperor for several millions of rubles. The daughter married some other dispossessed lord, who soon left her a widow. She left Russia in her childhood, and has since only thought of her pleasures. Let us leave her and return to the Frenchman. I must decide what course to take. His month of probation will end tomorrow. I must, before giving it up, make one more attempt. I saw the banker yesterday, and he told me that the time of his daughter's marriage was fixed. We shall see what the prisoner will say to this disastrous intelligence. It is the ruin of his last hopes. What do you say to my idea, Vacili?"

"Your excellency, I confess another has occurred to me."

"Let us have it."

"I start from a principle you have just laid down, that the young man will keep silence to the end for fear of the vengeance of the Nihilists. I have more than once been disposed to regret his capture. Do you not think that had he remained free he would have compromised himself by some imprudent act?"

"Yes," murmured the colonel, "we were perhaps too hasty. Unfortunately it is too late to retrace our steps. This Carnoel is too foolhardy as to visit his accomplices, or rather his accomplice, for I am convinced it is only a woman."

"Your excellency," said Vacili,

with embarrassment, "there is still time to have recourse to a means you have overlooked. I believe it would be better to restore M. de Carnoel to liberty."

"To release the Frenchman! You are mad, Vacili."

"Pardon me, your excellency. I have reflected much on the situation and I see no other means of discovering M. de Carnoel's accomplices."

"You forget that his first care would be to avenge himself on me. He would enter a complaint for arbitrary sequestration."

"Your excellency, I do not believe it. It would compel him to enter into explanations which he would rather avoid. Besides, you could exact a promise of silence. If he gave you his word of honor he would keep it."

"I admit that he will not complain to the authorities, but if he sees Mlle. Dorgeres or writes to her, which is infinitely probable, he will naturally be led to explain why he did not appear for a month."

"Your excellency, I know him, I have studied him. If he promises you silence he will be silent even with Mlle. Dorgeres."

"But you forget there was some one who saw the Frenchman enter this house."

"Your excellency alludes to the child who came to ask for him the day I brought him here. The child's conduct proved that he suspected something, and I should have watched him closely, but I learned next morning that there was nothing more to fear. He was picked up half-dead on the boulevard. What happened to him is not known, but I suspect he was trying to scale the garden wall and fell. What is certain is that he is an idiot and will never speak of what he knows."

"I am not too sure of that. He might get well. And it is very extraordinary that a groom should have risked his neck to ascertain what had become of the banker's ex-secretary. Who knows if this chap hadn't something to do with the theft. You ought to have made an inquiry."

"Your excellency, it has been done, and I have ascertained positively that it was a mere chance. Fortunately he broke his head before he had time to babble. And the proof is that during this month no attempt has been made to deliver M. de Carnoel."

The door opened and a valet de pied entered, bearing a card on a silver waiter.

"Who is it?" asked the colonel, with a gesture of impatience.

"I have said I should receive no one."

"Your excellency, this gentleman insists, saying that he came on pressing business."

M. Borisoff took the card, and read with astonishment the name of his visitor.

"Ask him into the salon," he said to the valet de pied.

When alone with his steward: "Do you know who asks for me? It is the nephew of the banker Dorgeres. I do not know him. What can he want with me?"

"Your excellency, perhaps the young man was sent to you by his uncle."

"Very likely; but for what? It is singular that he appears just as we were speaking of the secretary. Say to the head of the stables to make ready my travelling-carriage at all events. It is by no means certain that I shall decide to release our man."

The attendant bowed profoundly, and left the room backwardly.

After dismissing him, M. Borisoff rose from the divan and passed into the neighboring salon.

He found Maxime Dorgeres standing by a window, and by the expression of his countenance judged that his errand was of a grave nature. It was not the first time he had seen the banker's nephew, but had never spoken to him, and their meeting would have been cold enough but for the colonel.

"Monsieur," he said, "before inquiring what has brought you, permit me to congratulate myself on your visit. M. Dorgeres has frequently spoken of you, and has regretted that I had not the pleasure of your acquaintance."

"I am obliged to you, sir," replied Maxime, coldly; "but when you learn why I have come—"

"Tell me something of M. Dorgeres. I have not seen him for some days."

"I do not come on his behalf."

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"I do not know, sir, and I have something else to talk about."

This was said in so dry a tone and so serious an air that the colonel immediately changed his attitude and language.

"Then, sir, be kind enough to explain yourself," he said, haughtily.

"I thought you wished to pay me a friendly visit. It seems I was mistaken; but I cannot guess what you have to say to me."

"I have to ask what has become of M. de Carnoel," replied Maxime, looking fixedly at M. Borisoff.

"It must have been that the colonel was gifted with a sang froid that was invincible, for he replied without betraying himself."

"You wish to know what has become to M. de Carnoel, who was employed, I believe, with M. Dorgeres, my banker?"

"Yes," replied Maxime.

"Well, I wish to know why you address yourself to me, who had no relations with this gentleman. I saw him, I believe, once in M. Dorgeres' office, and did not speak to him."

"It is possible, but subsequently you were much occupied with him."

"Be good enough to explain yourself more clearly."

"Willingly. I need not say that M. de Carnoel left my uncle's house the evening the safe was robbed. A casket was taken belonging to you, and M. de Carnoel was accused of the theft."

"It is true. But it was agreed that this should be kept secret, and I am astonished that M. Dorgeres has related it to you."

"No matter, I know it; and I know also that you charged yourself with discovering M. de Carnoel."

"I engaged your uncle not to lodge a complaint. It would be offensive to me to have my name mixed up with judicial inquiries. M. Dorgeres yielded to my view, and begged me to make use of my diplomatic relations for the discovery of the wretch who had robbed him. Unfortunately the researches ended in nothing. M. de Carnoel went into Brittany, and after his return to Paris could not be traced further. It is likely he has left France. But you know all this, since you are so well informed, and I cannot sufficiently express my surprise at such a proceeding. It is not, I presume, your uncle who has recommended it."

"No, sir; I have consulted no one but have acted with a perfect knowledge of the facts, and I demand once more an answer to my question: What has become of M. de Carnoel?"

"Do you ask me this seriously?"

"Very seriously."

"It is so strange that I might take it in bad part, but I content myself with saying that I have already answered you. M. de Carnoel is in foreign parts, I have every reason to suppose."

"M. de Carnoel is in Paris."

"How do you know?"

"I have seen him."

"When?"

"A month ago."

"Very possibly; but in a month

he has had time to cross the frontier, and even the seas."

"I saw him pass near here in a carriage, which went toward Montreux Park."

"It is to be regretted you did not follow it. We might have known where it conducted M. de Carnoel."

"I did not follow it, but some one saw it again afterward."

"Ah! really! and where did it go?"

"It went to the Rue de Vigny, it stopped before your house, the gate opened, the carriage entered—"

"What! here!" cried M. Borisoff. "Ah! this is too much, and I am amazed you should attach importance to so absurd an invention."

"It is no invention. The person who saw it made no mistake."

"So," replied the colonel, feigning to suppress a strong inclination to laugh, "you believe that this secretary, after having been sent off and accused of theft, has made me a visit. It was probably for the purpose of returning my casket."

"I do not suppose he came here voluntarily."

"Then I kidnapped him in the midst of Paris and in full light of day? And for what purpose may I ask?"

"I cannot say, sir, but I know that M. de Carnoel has been brought to your house, and that he must be still there."

(To be continued.)

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We notice that from the profits of the year, after making the usual deductions and the usual conditional allowances, there were paid three quarterly dividends at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum and one at the rate of eight per cent. The sum of \$200,000 was added to the rest account, bringing the total up to \$2,200,000, and \$102,443.40 was placed to the credit of profit and loss account. There has been a very satisfactory growth in deposits; these show an increase of \$4,420,000, or 17.44 per cent. over the increase of the preceding year, the present year beginning with a total of \$29,813,164. The circulation also showed a large increase, the average being about \$2,600,000, though during the year it reached the highest figures in the history of the bank—namely, \$3,543,000. There is a very large increase in the assets of the bank as compared with the previous year. The increase in this respect was \$5,104,000, as against an increase in 1908 of \$1,139,000. The assets of the bank now total \$39,963,996.11. A decided increase is reported in business connections as well as an expansion of operations represented by the opening of twelve new branches. The report shows a healthy condition of the business of the bank, a strengthening of its resources, and a decided advance in all departments.

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POTATOES.

Hashed Raw Potatoes.—Wash and pare enough raw potatoes to make one pint; chop fine, working quickly so they may not be discolored. Cover with cold water, stir thoroughly and drain, discarding in this way the free starch. Cover with fresh cold water and let stand ten minutes. Drain as dry as possible, turn into a pan containing two tablespoonfuls pork fat or butter, dust with salt and pepper, cover closely and cook over very slow fire till tender. Increase the heat and brown without stirring, adding more fat if necessary. When nicely colored beneath fold over like an emmet and turn out on hot platter.

Baked Potatoes.—Bake potatoes, cut off the tops, scoop out the inside, and steam as for mashed potatoes, seasoning richly. Return to the shells, leaving the potato heap up in the shells. Add the beaten white of an egg on the tops and brown a moment in the oven; serve hot.

Mealy Potatoes.—To insure mealy potatoes when preparing potatoes to bake cut off a little piece from each end of every potato. If they are at all inclined to be wet or soggy, as they often are, this enables the moisture to evaporate and insures you mealy potatoes.

Potato Muffins.—Boil four potatoes, mash in a bread pan, add one beaten egg, one and a half pints milk, with 2 cents' worth yeast dissolved in it. Add flour enough for a sponge like bread. Set to raise, then add flour and knead almost as stiff as bread. Let this rise. Turn out on board and cut like cookies and let this rise ten or fifteen minutes and bake in hot oven.

Smothered Potatoes.—For one quart of sliced or chopped raw potatoes make a pint of sauce with one tablespoonful of butter, two of flour, and a pint of milk. Season with salt and pepper and mix with the potato, adding a small onion if desired. Place in buttered dish, cover, and bake an hour or longer. Uncover and brown the last twenty minutes, after spreading with a well beaten egg.

Potatoes Raguets.—Bake any amount of potatoes you wish; when well done remove from oven, let cool, when cool cut in halves and remove the inside, then mix with following, mashing potatoes: One ounce butter, dash pepper, pinch salt, and half cup chopped meat (chicken is best); knead the same as you would dough, then roll into a roll about eight or nine inches long—longer if preferred—bake ten minutes in an air tight oven. Serve cool with terra sauce.

FAVORITE RECIPES.

Carrot Pudding.—One pound each of carrots, currants, raisins, potatoes, suet, sugar, flour, English walnuts; four ounces sanded lemon peel, one wineglass brandy, little salt. Boil potatoes and carrots until done; mash. The suet, sugar, and flour are mixed together, then well mixed with the pulp; then add currants, raisins, nuts, lemon peel, brandy, and a little nutmeg. Steam in baking powder cans four hours. Serve with butter sauce.

Crunners.—One and one-half cups of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of butter, one and one-half cups of milk, two eggs and the yolk of another, one-half teaspoonful of ginger, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoonful soda in the milk, and one teaspoonful baking powder in the flour, one teaspoonful of vanilla, and a little nutmeg. Cut in strips a half inch wide and six inches long, fold together, twist and fry. Do not powder with sugar until ready to serve.

Parker House Rolls.—One pint of milk, let come to a boil, put in a piece of butter the size of an egg, let cool until lukewarm; then add half a cup of sugar, a little salt, and a cup of yeast and flour enough to make thick sponge. Let rise until light, then knead it down and let rise again until light. Then roll out and cut with a biscuit cutter, rub butter over top, and lap over. Let rise until light and bake in a quick oven.

Brown Bread.—One-half cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of New Orleans molasses, two cupfuls of sour or sweet milk, two small teaspoonfuls of soda, one cupful of white flour, two cupfuls of graham flour, one-half cupful of raisins (dried). Let stand one hour in bread pan and bake one hour in slow oven.

CANDY.

Panache Candy.—Three cupfuls of brown sugar, one-half cupful of milk, one-half tablespoonful of butter, cook and stir until it creams, add one-half teaspoonful of vanilla, beat until it begins to grain, stir in walnuts or hickory nuts chop-

ped; put on greased platters, and when it begins to harden cut in squares.

Ice Cream Candy.—Four cupfuls granulated sugar, one-half cupful of water, one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, one-half cupful of vinegar, one tablespoonful glycerin, one teaspoonful flavoring extract. Boil the sugar, water, vinegar and glycerin together until the mixture will spin a heavy thread. Remove from the fire, and when it no longer boils add the cream of tartar and flavoring extract. Pour on a large buttered platter, and when sufficiently cool pull until white.

Chocolate Fudge.—Two cupfuls of granulated sugar, one cupful sweet milk, two squares bitter chocolate, one-half teaspoonful butter, one teaspoonful vanilla, pinch of salt. Boil about fifteen minutes, adding vanilla and butter after removing from fire. Pour upon a marble slab and stir with a pancake turner until cool. Follow this recipe closely and you will always have creamy fudge.

Gingered Figs.—Wash one pound of dried figs and remove the stems. Add cold water to cover, then add the juice and rind of one lemon and a large piece of ginger root. Stew until the figs are soft. Then remove them to a dish. Measure the syrup and add one-half as much sugar. Simmer until thick. Serve with whipped cream.

OYSTERS.

Deviled Oysters.—Drain the oysters, butter individual dishes, lay in each three or four oysters, dust with salt, pepper, and paprika, sprinkle with lemon juice, and dot with bits of butter. Bake in hot oven till the gills begin to ruffle.

Oysters au Gratin.—In a saucepan put one tablespoonful of butter. Melt, and add one tablespoonful of flour, half teaspoonful of salt, and a little white pepper. Mix smooth and stir in one cupful of milk until it thickens. Add a little anchovy sauce or Worcestershire if liked. Butter either small dishes or one large one. Put in a layer of sauce, then one of oysters, salt and pepper, more sauce and another layer of oysters. Cover with bread crumbs, dot thickly with butter, and bake in a quick oven. A teaspoonful of chopped parsley and two tablespoonfuls of grated cheese added to the sauce improves it for some.

Oyster Pie.—Fill a pudding dish with oysters. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and add bits of butter. Soak one cupful of bread crumbs in milk and with two well beaten eggs add to the oysters. Cover the dish with good pie crust, leaving an opening in the centre for the steam to escape. Bake quickly.

USEFUL HINTS.

Spiders will not come where shelves are washed with borax. Peppermint lozenges are invaluable to check a cold or a chill, but they should be of the best quality.

To have fluffy light pie crust, to each cup of lard add unbeaten white of one egg; use ice water; mix same as usual.

To keep the feet warm in cold weather cut a sole to the size of the foot or shoe in thick brown paper and wear it.

Nervous people ought to cultivate the practice of sleeping after the noon meal. A short nap at that time will strengthen the nerves.

When preparing a leg of lamb for roasting, pin on thin slices of bacon with whole cloves, and the flavor of the meat will be fine.

To clean currants and raisins, roll in flour, and then pick off all stalks, etc. If currants are washed they must be dried before being added to cakes.

When making chicken soup, boil a few stalks of celery in with the chicken broth. Remove them when done. A little thickening may be added if desired.

Never put soda in the water in which you wash china that has any gilding on it. Soda injures the gilding. Instead use soap, which answers just as well, and has no ill effects.

When white paint does not require actual washing a cloth should never be used to rub the surface, as this only succeeds in rubbing in the dust and making a permanent mark.

An easy way to clean glass globes when one is in a hurry is to hold them over steam from a kettle, etc., when they may be polished at once. This does them quickly and well.

The quickest method to remove flour from basins after making puddings or cakes is to wash them in clear, cold water. Warm water hardens the flour, and makes it difficult to remove.

Light carpets can be cleaned with a mixture of coarse salt and oatmeal. Put the mixture on plentifully, and scrub it with a clean, dry scrubbing brush. Afterwards sweep the carpet clean.

When putting away knives clean them and lay them in a box in which a layer of dry sawdust has been put, then completely cover them with more sawdust. When required for use they only need dusting.

Iron holders made from a piece of asbestos the desired size and covered with drilling or heavy unbleached muslin are light and keep out heat. There should be a ring or loop sewed to one corner to hang the holder.

Japanned ware should be washed with a sponge dampened in warm water and dried immediately with a soft cloth. Obstinate spots can quickly be removed by rubbing them with a woollen cloth dipped in a little sweet oil.

A German woman who suffered from neuralgia was cured by fasting, and hence in her opinion it is food and not money that is the root of all evil. Medical authorities are already countenancing hunger cures for different maladies.

Many people make a great mistake in thinking it necessary to keep their piano religiously closed when it is not being played on. On the contrary, it ought to be always left open, unless, of course, the piano is not to be used for some weeks.

Never amuse your children at the expense of other people; never allow your children to ridicule other people. Neglect this advice and the time will assuredly come when these children will amuse themselves with your foibles and ridicule your authority.

When the kitchen range looks rather bad and one has not the time to black it wet a cloth in paraffin and rub on some soap. Go over the stove with this, then rub with the usual blacking rag until it is rather shiny, and finish off with a newspaper.

If the meal were eaten slowly, without pre-occupation of the mind, and the stomach allowed at least half an hour's chance to get its work well undertaken before the previous force is turned in another direction, patients suffering from dyspepsia would be comparatively few.

WISDOM LET LOOSE.

Take things as they are, and proceed to make them better. Women are as true as steel, and often as highly tempered.

There is only evil in the goodness that makes other evil.

If you have a mouth, don't ask other people to blow for you.

It is hard to quarrel with some people, but harder still not to.

If you are in a hole, make yourself a ladder, and then climb out. Some people claim that genius is inspiration; others, perspiration.

The man who is looking for trouble usually ends by seeing stars.

To him that hath shall be given. Everybody has something to begin with.

A woman never forgives a man for forgiving her for not forgiving him.

It is awfully discouraging that friends can't be candid without saying unpleasant things.

The best way to get the help of heaven is to give some other fellow a little help.

You will never lead a boy into your faith until you have much faith in him.

When you are right you can afford to keep your temper, and when you are wrong you can't afford to lose it.

NOTHING LIKE IT.

Two railway travellers got into conversation, and one of them began to expatiate on the advantages of fresh air.

"Ah," he said, "there's nothing like having your bedroom doors and your windows open at night—nothing like it. Great advantage I have found it many a time."

"Ah," said the other gentleman, "I suppose you're a medical man, and speak from experience."

THE S. S. LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON,

FEB. 13.

Lesson VII. Worldliness and Trust,
Matt. 6. 19-34. Golden Text,

Matt. 6. 33.

Verse 19. Lay not up . . . treasures upon . . . earth—Not a prohibition against accumulating wealth, but against a selfish accumulation. Jesus's teaching was that to make material things the chief aim of life was to make them a curse. Riches may be made ministers of good, but greed and covetousness are enemies of the higher life.

Moth—in Oriental countries a large part of the treasure consists of costly silken and woolen fabrics. The moth feeds on these, and out of the material builds a portable house in which to lay its eggs. These ravages of the moth Jesus classes with the corroding influence of rust—due to chemical action of metals, which were often hidden in the ground (Matt. 13. 44)—as illustrations of all earthly things.

Break through—Literally, "dig through," the walls of the houses often being built of clay.

20. Lay up . . . treasures in heaven—A man can do this by being rich toward God (compare Luke 12. 33-34), by doing the things which win the divine approval, living for God and for others. Nothing can rob a man of his everlasting enjoyment of such wealth as that, his heavenly treasures are his forever.

21. A man's treasure is the thing he holds dearest, that upon which his heart is set, whether the world's wealth and the pleasures of the present, or the hope of heaven and the un fading favor of God.

22. If thine eye be single—This is Christ's figure for spiritual discernment, or conscience. As, when the eye is in a normal state, every object appears as it is, so the man of exclusively spiritual purpose has a clear outlook upon life and duty.

23. If thine eye be evil—Sin is like defects in the eyesight, in that it clouds spiritual vision. If conscience become entirely dominated by evil, spiritual night will follow, and the man will not know whether he is going right or wrong—may even think he is right when he is all wrong. There can be no greater darkness than that.

24. No man can serve two masters—It is impossible to divide one's interests between earthly and heavenly. The words of Jesus are emphatic: To love the world is ipso facto, to hate God. Conversely, if you love God, you must do it with a passion which excludes mammon (worldly-mindedness, especially the sort which expresses itself in love of material goods).

25. Therefore—The instructions which follow are a logical outcome of those which precede.

Be not anxious for your life—Not intended to eliminate prudence and forethought. It is unchristian to brood and worry over the possibilities of the morrow. The whole of life is not in what we eat and drink and put on. Jesus has already bidden his disciples to pray for the daily necessities of food and raiment (verse 11, this chapter), and has promised that their Father will reward them for their sincerity. Now he reminds them that it is inconsistent for them to pray and distrust at the same time. If there is any anxiety at all about life, it is to be not for these things, but for the deeper ones mentioned in verse 33.

26. Behold the birds—Jesus's intimate acquaintance with all the natural life about him is one of the attractive studies of the Gospels.

They sow not—Their heavenly Father feedeth them, not because of their failure to work. Here is no invitation to a life of listlessness. Birds are not qualified to sow and reap. But men are. And God provides for men by prospering their work.

Barns—Sometimes buildings above ground, but oftener cistern-like pits.

Are not ye of much more value—Suggesting the unreasonableness of anxiety. Men are the children of God, and the Bible puts upon them the highest valuation of all creation.

27. Suggesting the uselessness of anxiety. Jefferson said that most men spend their lives in apprehending dangers that never come to pass.

Can add one cubit unto the measure of his life—This is preferable to the old translation, "stature." As a cubit is eighteen inches, it would be a very large addition to one's stature, and Luke adds a word of Jesus to the effect that what he has just said is the least one could do (Luke 12. 26). It was common to think of life in terms of linear measure (Psa. 39. 5). What is meant, therefore, is, that you cannot lengthen out your life by fretting.

28. Raiment—Included shirt, cloak, girdle, shoes, headdress. How they grow is difficult to de-

METHOD OF THE MASTER

The Value and Importance of Self-Control
Pointed Out.

He that ruleth his spirit is greater than he that taketh a city.—Proverbs xvi. 32.

According to the Christian conception of human nature every man is a king, deriving his prerogatives directly from the Almighty Himself. Like a king he is expected to rule the laws which God has laid for the universe, as each separate municipality frames its ordinances in accordance with the supreme law of the land.

Because we are kings the quality proper to sovereignty should characterize us; namely, self-control, absolute control over our ambitions, passions and desires as the engine driver over his locomotive, the general over an army, a captain over a battleship. Marvelous as a battleship is in its construction, intricate as it is in all its parts and adapted to its various duties, it is not so wonderful as the human organism. The body is a machine composed of myriad minute parts, each performing certain definite functions, possessing as no other organism does.

THE POWER OF REPAIR.

Moreover, it is a much more valuable mechanism commercially than is generally appreciated. If a man's income is \$2,000 annually this is 5 per cent. on \$40,000. If that sum were put into your hands would you not think that you ought to exercise considerable care in its investment and use? But when we consider that this physical organism is the seat of all our hopes and joys and fears; more than that, that it is the temple of the in-dwelling soul, freighted thereby with eternal interests of weal or woe, how precious

does its well-being become, how important its guidance and control!

How shall we gain control of ourselves? Something is gained when we realize the extreme importance of self-control and how fraught with danger the lack of it is here and hereafter. Something can be done by direct resolve, by the direct exercise of the will. Take command of yourself. Be a king in your own realm, a limited one, perhaps, but yours to rule. The human will is the grandest power in the universe outside of God Himself. There is little that can stand before a determined soul's resolve, "I will." Such a decision has been the turning point of many a character.

TRUE SELF-CONTROL

is, however, called by St. Paul "a fruit of the spirit," for no "temperance" is to be translated. True self-control comes by submitting ourselves to God, putting ourselves in the grasp of and in allegiance with "power that is stronger than we are." Such was the method of the Master. Because he lived in closest communion with the Father, His life was the embodiment of all spiritual and heavenly grace. We can all follow His method. As Lowell says: "We are all tall enough to reach God's hand and angels are no taller." By living in communion with God as Jesus did, we shall be able like Him to still the voice of anger, check the hot spirit of revenge, cool the fevered torrent of ambition, curb the threatening ascendancy of passion, as a master curbs his dog—attain, in short, true self-control.

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scribe. At any rate, it is without thought or conscious effort on the part of the lilies themselves.

Spin—One of the earliest occupations, especially of women, was the spinning of garments out of wool and flax, on the hand-spindle.

29. Solomon in all his glory—The glory of Solomon was as proverbial as his wisdom, his wealth, and his fame. It was not, however, glory of character, but of lavish display and superficial spender.

30. Grass—Probably a general term, covering many of the common field flowers. These were used for fuel, in the absence of wood, in districts where wood was scarce. The oven into which the grass was cast was a hole of varying size, according to the need, dug in the ground and lined with cement.

Little Faith—An expression often on the lips of Jesus. All human faith is small in comparison to the wealth of God's provision.

31. Be not therefore anxious—Summing up. This, of course, is a principle of life, not a precept to be followed literally. An effortless, hand-to-mouth existence cannot be in Jesus' mind.

32. After all these things do the Gentiles seek suggests that anxiety is heathenish, as well as unreasonable and unavailing.

Your heavenly Father knoweth—This is Jesus's broad answer to the fundamental question as to the means of human sustenance. He who provides for birds and flowers needs only to know the needs of his highest creatures in order to provide for them.

33. This is the secret of an untroubled heart. The man who makes God's kingdom and righteousness his highest and foremost concern has responded to the supreme call of his being. God can do nothing less for such a man than to add to these nobler treasures all things needful.

34. Each day brings its own evil, and it is made no less by brooding over what it may be. We must do our best to-day, leaving the morrow in God's keeping to order as he will.

SPEAK THE KIND WORD NOW.

Speak the kind word now. No better time will come; Marble may be the brow, Those lips, tomorrow dumb. No sound may penetrate Those ears that you would thrill; To praise don't hesitate, Remain no longer still.

Put off no kindly word Until another day. The praise that is deferred You may not live to say. The heart that you would cheer Tomorrow may not beat; Now, let your brother hear Your praises, oh, so sweet.

Do the kind deed now. Tomorrow—who can tell—The Lord may not allow You longer here to dwell; The chance that now you miss May never come again. There is no time like this, To aid your fellow men.

IN CHOOSING A HUSBAND—

Be sure you really know him. Be quite sure he is a good son and brother. Be quite sure you respect as well as love him.

Be sure he truly loves you as much as he thinks he does. Make opportunities to see him under all sorts of circumstances. Be absolutely certain he is the only man in the world you feel you could marry.

The man who marries for a mere passing fancy will never grow to love his wife.

One breakfast at the same table on a wet or foggy day will teach you more about the gentleman than a dozen dances.

If girls only realized that exactly as he treats his mother so will a man treat his wife six months after marriage, they should rejoice instead of being jealous of the love he shows his own family.

ONLY ONCE.

It was a pitiful mistake, an error sad and grim; I waited for the railway train, the light was low and dim.

It came at last, and from the car there stepped a dainty dame, and, looking up and down the place, she straight unto me came. "Oh, Jack!" she cried; "oh, dear old Jack!" And kissed me as she spoke. Then looked again, and frightened, cried, "Oh, what a bad mistake!" I said, "Forgive me, maiden fair, for I am not your Jack; and as regards the kiss you gave I'll straightway give it back!"

And since that night I've often stood upon the platform dim; but once in man's whole life do such things come to him!

OURS.

A young couple recently got married; and, having friends to see them one day, the wife was very much annoyed by hearing her husband calling everything in the house and garden his.

After they were gone, she remonstrated with him.

"John, why do you insist upon calling everything yours? Now that we are married you should say 'ours.'"

"John was silent. The next morning, hearing a commotion in the dressing-room, his wife called out, 'John, what are you looking for?' 'Our trousers!' was the unexpected reply.

BE BRIGHT.

Laugh a little if you can; Everyone has loads of care. And so many thorns are pricking, And so many pins are sticking, All around us everywhere!

Wear a face that's like the sun, Let it shine wher'er you are; Other weary hearts will lighten, Like the passing of a star.

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The term "Government Standard" applied to Timothy, Alsike or Red Clover seeds, does not mean that the seed is of "No. 1" quality, as provided under Section 7 of the Seed Control Act, which fixes the standard for seeds which may be marked "No. 1" or otherwise represented to be of first quality. The term "Government Standard" has been largely used with seeds which were sufficiently clean to meet the provisions of the minimum standard fixed in Section 8 of the Seed Control Act, which allows 92 seeds of the weeds named in the Act per one ounce of Red Clover; 212 per ounce of Alsike, and 410 per ounce of Timothy seed.

The following quotation is taken from a circular, issued by an Ontario retail seed merchant, which is exceedingly misleading: "We have decided to sell only STANDARD SEED, every bag under GOVERNMENT SEAL, thus insuring you clean seed."

There is no Government in Canada which assumes to inspect any seeds before they are offered for sale for seeding. Some reliable seed houses sell grass and clover seeds in bags sealed by them with a lead seal. No Government seal is used on any seeds offered for sale in the trade. Seed purchasers who desire Timothy, Alsike or Red Clover seeds of first quality should see to it that the goods they purchase are marked "No. 1" or otherwise clearly represented to be of first quality.

Under the Seed Control Act (section 14), wholesale seed merchants have the privilege of selling seeds in sealed packages or bags sealed by them, thus relieving retail merchants of any responsibility connected therewith, so long as the seal thereon remains intact.

Oak Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Redick and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Richardson of River Valley spent an evening last week with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Palmer.

A good number attended the cottage prayer meeting at Mr. Palmer's on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bird of Chatterton were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Chapman on a day last week.

Mr. Blake Lockwood visited his cousin Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Lockwood of Actinolite last week.

The Seymour Power Co. have been obtaining poles for electric purposes from Mr. M. Boardman's woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Rose of Frankford spent a day last week with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Raymond Sine died last week after suffering from consumption for several years.

We are pleased to say that Mr. Wm. Robinson is improving.

Foxboro Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Inkerman Baragar of Elm Creek, Man., are visiting at his sister's, Mrs. Stephen Badgely.

Mr. Badgely, although confined to the house most of the time by his lameness, is in good health.

Mrs. Hannah Ward who is residing with her son, B. Ward, is failing. She is in her 92nd year.

Miss Hattie Gilbert of Carmel is staying with Mrs. and Miss Mary Miller.

Mrs. Miller reached the ripe old age of 81 on Saturday the 12th inst.

Miss Hattie Gossell has gone to New York for an extended course in domestic science.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. MacFarlane are at present in Sydney, Cape Breton, on their trip through the Maritime Provinces.

Mr. Thos. Holgate is in Toronto on a trip of business and pleasure.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. Chisholm gathered in the Sabbath School room of the Methodist church and presented them with an address and Mr. Chisholm with a set of six volumes of commentaries on the Bible.

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Mr. W. R. Nursey, Inspector of Public Libraries, Rev. W. A. Bradley, B. A., Berlin, ex-president of the Ontario Library Association, and Dr. Geo. H. Locke, Chief Librarian of the Public Library, Toronto, will be present and deliver addresses.

By the Provision of the Public Libraries Act, the Department of Education will pay the expenses of one representative delegate from each Library in the District.

Programs and circular letters of instruction are being sent to all the Libraries in this District.

A Deliberate Suicide

There occurred on Tuesday last one of those unfortunate affairs which all ways cause a shock to pass over the community in which they take place. In the borders of a wood upon the Oak Hills near Madoc Junction nestles the home of Mr. John Juby. His wife and son Edgar have for some time been his only companions in the home, although another son, Frank, and family occupy another house on the same farm.

Edgar, born some 46 years ago, was the oldest child. Other children were born to the home and grew up, married and left the home, but Edgar remained home and unmarried. He was of a quiet disposition, inclined to be moody, and a voluminous reader, especially of the Bible and religious literature. His ingenuity found vent in the making of various mechanical contrivances, and as he spoke little about these things they called forth but little attention from his parents and neighbors. Some weeks ago he bought a rifle from McGee & Lagrow of this village, and this became his plaything. For some time it had been in the barn, neatly and solidly fixed to a piece of timber in such a way that the timber acted as a holder or socket of the rifle. On Monday this was missed from the barn, but little was thought of this fact, although Mrs. Juby heard several reports of the rifle during the afternoon. On Tuesday morning Edgar rose somewhat earlier than usual and went to the stables and fed the horses and cattle as usual. When breakfast time came he did not appear and it was thought he had gone to some of the neighbors, for he had taken his overcoat with him. While the aged couple were eating their breakfast at about 8 o'clock the sharp report of the rifle was heard, and on search being made the dead body of Edgar was found lying on its back on the ground in front of the previously described rifle and timber, which had been securely wedged between two trees and levelled over a carpenter's sawhorse at a height of about 30 inches above the ground in the woods a few rods east and north of the barns. Neighbors were soon informed of the fact and Coroner Dr. Bissonnette was summoned before the body was moved. On his arrival Dr. Bissonnette found several neighbors present and together they examined the rifle and its ingeniously constructed socket, and found that every pains had been taken to make the shot a sure death one. In one of his pockets was found a signed statement of what he wished done with the body and intimating that he was tired of living and wished to be better off. The Coroner decided that an inquest was not necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. Juby are highly respected, and they and their sons and daughters have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement. The funeral takes place this afternoon.

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OR, THE HERITAGE OF MADAME VALTA.

CHAPTER III.—(Cont'd)

"He must be there," is admirable.

"Railing is not answering. If he is not here you know where he is, for you cannot deny that he came here."

"I do deny it on the contrary. I deny it absolutely."

"You deny it, I affirm it, and I wish to know what you have done with M. de Carnoel."

For a few moments the colonel did not reply; and when he did, it was in a serious and injured tone.

"Sir," he said slowly, "I should be justified in cutting short such an interview as this, but I have friendly relations with M. Dorgeres, and I content myself with reminding you of the very singular nature of this summons which you have addressed to me in my own house."

"Assuredly you do not hope that I shall submit to you, and do not pretend to constrain me to answer you!"

"No, I shall take other means to attain my end. If necessary, I shall have recourse to the commissary of police."

"This passes all bounds," said M. Dorgeres. "I have listened patiently to absurd questionings. I cannot tolerate threats, and beg you to leave my house."

"Is it your last word?" asked Maxime, red with anger.

"Yes, sir, and I should have spoken it sooner, for this conversation has lasted too long."

"Very well. I know what remains for me to do, and have nothing more to say. You cannot tolerate threats; I cannot tolerate offensive language. You have spoken of my questions as absurd. Tomorrow I shall send you my seconds."

"I am ready for them," replied the colonel, turning his back on Maxime, who went out furious.

The calm which M. Borisoff had maintained during their interview was on the surface, and when Vacil saw his master again he discerned that a storm was brewing.

"Do you know what this scoundrel has said to me? He has summoned me to render up M. de Carnoel. He affirms that he was seen to enter here a month ago—in a carriage. He is, you see, well informed."

"It must have been that child—and yet no—since he has lost his memory. If he had told it immediately, M. Dorgeres would not have waited so long to set these proceedings on foot."

"It matters little how he got his information. He has challenged me and threatened me with the commissary of police. I scoff at his challenge and his threats. However, we must take the subject into consideration. And first I cannot release the Carnoel, neither can I keep him here longer. I don't intend to run any risk of being brought before their tribunals. M. de Carnoel will leave here to-morrow evening. Let the carriage be ready at nightfall. Be sure and telegraph to our agents to have the relays ready as far as Strasbourg."

"Your excellency, it shall be done."

"Now I am going to make a last attempt to induce him to capitulate. Go and announce to him my visit."

Vacil bowed and went out. His master was decidedly in an ill-humor, for he walked up and down with long strides, gesticulating and even doubling his fist at his invisible enemies.

"Cursed be the day when I came to Paris to watch over the intrigues of a few undiscoverable knaves! In Russia one has at least power, and is not afraid to arrest suspected creatures. If I do not succeed in my mission, the great chief will say I am a blockhead. I should like to see him here in my place. Come! this Carnoel shall pay for the others," concluded M. Borisoff as he pushed open with violence the door of a gallery leading to the library in which Robert was confined.

Robert de Carnoel was not expecting a visit from his jailer—Robert de Carnoel had ceased to expect or to hope.

The first days of his captivity had been passed in fearful agony. He had frequent interviews with the colonel, who amused himself by torturing him with accounts of the project of marriage formed by M. Dorgeres, and the progress which Vignory was making in the heart of Mlle. Alice.

The apparition of the first night was not renewed on the night following. Robert passed several hours anxiously before the window

panes. The child did not reappear on the wall. But that was no reason for despairing. If the brave boy proposed to deliver him either by force or stratagem, he must take time for the execution of so difficult an enterprise.

A week passed, then two, and then three, and there was no sign of Georges. Soon the colonel also ceased to visit him, abandoning him to the care and vigilance of his unbalteins. And Robert, left to his reflections, confined in complete isolation, little by little came to believe that there remained to him not a single chance of safety.

Abandoned by all, he had accepted his destiny, and had arrived at that stern resignation that is born of despair. He spoke no more, and forced himself to think no more.

It will easily be believed that in this frame of mind he received with indifference the announcement of the colonel's visit.

The intendant, Vacil, who brought it, received no reply, and when M. Borisoff entered M. de Carnoel did not deign to rise and receive him.

"It is a long time since I have seen you," said the Russian, taking no notice of the prisoner's attitude. "I have given you time to reflect on the proposition I made, and which I do not withdraw. I gave you a month for consideration, and this month will expire to-morrow. I come to know if you have decided to speak?"

"I have nothing to say to you."

"I must remind you that if you consent to name your accomplice you will be free that very instant, and that I will undertake to reinstate you in the eyes of M. Dorgeres."

"It is very tempting, but I repeat that I am innocent, consequently that I have no accomplice, and that I shall not buy my liberty at the price of a lying confession."

"I know what restrains you. You believe Mlle. Dorgeres to be irrecoverably lost to you. I am about to put you in possession of the facts—to tell you how matters stand."

"Spare yourself the trouble; you will obtain nothing from me."

"No matter, it is well you should know all. I told you of the project of M. Dorgeres to give his daughter to his cashier, whom he had just made his partner. Now the marriage is decided. Your friend Vignory has been accepted by Mlle. Alice. To tell the truth, I did not think she would decide so quickly. It was your prolonged absence which led to this result. Had you listened to me it would have been in your power to reappear and cut short your rival's matrimonial campaign; to-day it would be more difficult. Early in February Mlle. Dorgeres will become Madame Vignory."

"Why, then, fatigue me with your solicitations? Were I free to-morrow the marriage would take place none the less. I should not try to hinder it."

"You would be wrong. There is still time to do so. Mlle. Dorgeres has consented against herself. She has grown weary of the war, when after days of waiting you did not appear to confound your calumniators. It would be easy to explain your silence. You might say that you were ignorant you had been accused. It would be plausible, since the theft was known only to three or four persons. You might add that you had just heard these reports; you might have learned them from some one who was interested in you—this groom, for instance, who was in the waiting-room when the theft was discovered, an urchin named, I believe, Georges or Goergot."

At this name Robert could not suppress a slight movement, which did not escape the quick eyes of the colonel.

"I mention this child because he took an interest in you," he resumed. "It seems he saw you when you were brought here by my steward, and came to inquire for you."

"If he knew I was your prisoner," said Robert, not without an effort, "he would not have kept it a secret, and some one would have been found to deliver me from your power."

"It is quite probable, but on that day he had a fall, from the effects of which he is and will remain an idiot."

This time Robert turned pale. He understood now why Georges had not reappeared.

"I tell you this," resumed the colonel, "that you may not build on the hope of being succeeded by this gamin. And that reminds me that I made a mistake in advising you to say you were informed by

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him of the remarks of which you have been the subject. But you might designate another, M. Maxime Dorgeres, for instance. He also is interested in your behalf."

"I scarcely know him," said M. de Carnoel, impatiently. "Listen to me, and when you have heard me through, I have not another word to say. You are convinced, are you not, that I have loved, that I still love Mlle. Dorgeres?"

"I am sure of it."

"And the offers you have made me are sincere? You are prepared, if I accept your conditions, to restore my liberty, to support my cause with M. Dorgeres; you will even go so far as to declare that you have discovered the real culprit?"

"I have promised you that I am ready to do it," said M. Borisoff, quickly, satisfied that he was gaining the desired end.

"And you think that, given this new situation, M. Dorgeres, to repair his wrongs toward me, would feel it his duty to accord me the hand of his daughter; that Mlle. Dorgeres, who has not ceased to love me, would be happy to become my wife; that my revival would remember that he had been my friend and would not seek to dispute with me the heart of Alice? You think, in short, that it rests with me to pass from the depths of misery to the extreme of happiness?"

"For this dream to become reality, you have only to name your accomplice."

"Do you think I should hesitate if I had one?" asked Robert, in a voice which vibrated. "You have, then, never loved, since you suppose that a man could sacrifice his love to some sentiment of keeping faith with conspirators. Had I stolen your casket for the purpose of delivering up your secret papers to the revolutionists of your country, I would go myself and recover it from them, if it was necessary, in order to marry the woman I loved. I would brave their vengeance and risk a thousand deaths sooner than refuse the happiness you propose to me. You see, then, that I know nothing, and that you will gain nothing by tormenting me further. Do with me as you please. You may kill me. You will extract nothing more from me."

The colonel knit his brows and bit his mustache. For the first time since he had secured the person of M. de Carnoel he asked himself if he had not made a false move in arresting him.

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CHAPTER IV.

Is there any one whose curiosity has not at times been aroused by some woman who had passed him? She is young, she is pretty, she is alone, and she walks with a hurrying step. She has an object, and she sees only this object. Is her walk to end in a romantic denouement, or simply to conduct her to her dressmaker? This is the question that puzzles the curious who follow her with their eyes. Before the problem can be solved, she is already far off. She has disappeared without leaving any more trace of herself than a bird in its passage through the air.

The old Parisian recognizes quickly enough the English or American girl who goes out without a chaperon for the pleasure of going out, of tossing her blonde hair in the wind, and laughing in the face of those whom she observes to mistake her for a seeker after adventure.

But the morning after Maxime Dorgeres' attack upon Col. Borisoff, it was unquestionably a French girl who, toward twelve o'clock, passed up the Avenue de Friedland, and a French girl young and pretty. A thick veil was drawn over her face, and she evidently did not wish to be recognized. At times she turned as if to see if she was not followed, and appeared uncertain of her route, for she stopped frequently to look at the houses and cross-streets. Evidently she sought for some indication which she did not care to ask of passers-by.

At length she observed an errand porter whom she decided to approach.

"Could you tell me where to find the house of a lady named the Countess Yalta?" she asked, in a scarcely audible voice.

"The Countess—Yalta? Ah, yes, the Russian princess who rides horseback dressed like a man? You are there, mademoiselle. There is a little door on the avenue fifty steps from here, but if you're not a friend of the house it's no use to ring; they wouldn't open to you. The great entrance is on Rue Beaunjon, there—to the right. There is no mistaking it; it's gilded from top to bottom."

(To be continued.)

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Misfortune for the bloodless—that should be printed in all the public places. You must have blood to have strong lungs to enable you to withstand all the dust and microbes of summer and the piercing winds and cold of winter.

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HARVEST IN BABYLONIA

THE DAY WHEN ALL DEBTS WERE PAID.

In Babylonia the Food Problem Dominated all the Affairs of Life.

In the wonderful restoration of the ancient past which has resulted from the work of the explorer in the East nothing is more astonishing than the knowledge we have gained of the social life, manners and customs of the ancient inhabitants of Egypt, Babylonia and other Eastern centres of civilization.

In this respect the discoveries in Babylonia have been far more enlightening than any others, for in that land education was more general, extending to the lower grades of the community, and the literary tendency of the people leading them to have a written record for any event supplies us with a mass of details of the affairs of daily life far more vivid than in the case of any other people of antiquity.

Babylonia was the garden of the ancient East, as later tradition made it the site of the "Garden of Eden," and the ancient Sumerian population was the earliest organized community of agriculturists of whom we have record, says W. St. Chad Boscawen in the London Globe.

THE NATURE OF THE SOIL, a deep alluvial, made it a land of the richest kind for the agriculturist, and nature needed but little assistance at the hand of man to bring forth her richest and best to supply his wants.

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became the cornfield par excellence of western Asia, and in later times the granary of the Persian empire.

The early Sumerian settlers brought with them from the home land on the east of the Tigris the first elements of agriculture and soon the plains of Lower Chaldea became covered with corn fields. One of the oldest inscriptions we possess, that of Manishtu-su, King of Kish, which must date back to about B. C. 4000 if not earlier, is a purely agricultural record and shows that the principles of agriculture were already developed and systematized. The value of land was estimated on corn valuation, and the rights of landlord and tenant were clearly defined. Moreover, the ancient records show that the calendar of those early inhabitants of Chaldea was agricultural and started from the autumnal equinox—the period of the "greater harvest."

In remote prehistoric times man had been the pensioner of Nature, dependent on the supplies she granted him, but now man by his invention of agricultural implements had

CONQUERED NATURE.

and by his assistance rendered her far more lavish in according him supplies for his wants. The extreme fertility of the Chaldean plain soon made it the corn producing centre of the whole of western Asia, and as food was the equivalent of money it soon became the predominant partner in the world of commerce.

As a result of the old primitive barter system payments in kind replaced instead of cash payments and corn became money. Surplus supplies of corn or other food stuffs became income or capital and could minister to the luxury of the successful agriculturist. With the rise of the village community and later the city kingdom this increase of wealth became a source of revenue on which the heads of the community could draw for communal wants, and in this manner there grew up the first and greatest system of revenue ever found in ancient Oriental lands.

Ancient Babylonia possessed one feature in which it closely resembled our own country in the Middle Ages, the bulk of the property was in religious hands. That is, the various districts into which the land was divided were each the fief of the province god. The tables from Tel-lo show that all that district was the fief of the god Ningir-si; of Nippur the fief of Entil, or the older "Bel"; of Sippara,

THE SUN GOD,

and all the revenues were collected by the temple officials and paid into the temple treasury and classed as "the wealth or property of the god."

There were many villages and small towns in the fief of the province gods, and their revenues were collected by resident collectors and either remitted to the head city or stored in the local storehouse, and a very careful account of them sent

to headquarters. All the dues were collected at one time, on "the day of harvest." When the harvest time came it was indeed a time of business pressure, the culmination of the year, the great day of reckoning. The deeds which have been recovered from the treasures of the Babylonian temples amply prove this.

Everything became due on the day of harvest. Thus a loan table from Nippur says: "Give and a half shekels, which X borrowed from the Sun-god to the Sun-god he shall pay back with the interest on the day of harvest." All small tradesmen were paid at harvest, and among them the obliging publican, who had given credit for beer during the previous months to his customers. All wages were paid at harvest time.

BURGLARS ROBBED HOUSE.

Made a Big Haul.

How often headings like this are seen in the daily and weekly papers throughout the country, stories of burglars having raided houses either at night or during the absence of the occupants and having secured large sums of money which were being kept in the house.

The average person wonders how it is that people are so foolish as to keep large sums of money or valuables lying around the house subject to raids of this sort. When there are surplus funds on hand, most people deposit them in the nearest Bank or else some Bank that offers special facilities to Savings Accounts, such as the Traders Bank of Canada.

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Farm Drainage Profitable

Assistance by Ontario Agricultural College

Thorough drainage of lands needing it will increase the yearly returns from the land by about \$20 per acre as shown by reports of men who have drained. This is the salient fact brought out in Bulletin 171 just issued by the Department of Agriculture, Toronto, entitled "Farm Underdrainage: Does it Pay?"

During the past five years the amount of drainage being done has doubled, and thorough drainage, that is with lines of tile every four rods, more or less, is rapidly increasing. Many areas are so flat or so irregular that it is impossible, without a surveyor's level, to tell just what is the best way of draining them. For the encouragement of farmers having such areas the Ontario Agricultural College is renewing its offer of assistance in drainage surveying. During the summer engaged in this work. Anyone having drainage problems to solve may have the assistance of one of these drainage advisors by applying for the same. At the conclusion of each survey a public meeting is held in the field to discuss the demonstration the best methods of finding the fall, determining grade, digging the ditch true to grade, etc. The only outlay to the farmer is the travelling expenses of one man, consisting of meals, if any, cartage of instruments, if any, and railway fare at a cent a mile each way. As several surveys are usually made on the same trip the actual cash outlay for each man is small, frequently being under \$1 and seldom over \$2, though in case of an individual survey in a remote part it might reach \$5 or more. The farmer is also expected to provide the College representative at the station and return him to it, as well as accommodate him while on the survey.

Those wishing to make application for a drainage survey should write to Prof. W. H. Day, Department of Physics, O.A.C., Guelph, whereupon a regular application form will be sent.

From the West

Our Winnipeg correspondent writes: Mild weather throughout the West has made the winter season far busier than usual in many lines of work and business. Work on big buildings in process of construction has gone on practically without interruption, and this line of work has been remarkably active throughout the winter. Fall work carried well into the winter, too, before thoughts of shutting down were entertained and the building trades people have had good times that give every promise of continuing. More building permits were taken out in Winnipeg for January than for the same month of 1909, and there are already plans for nearly nine million dollars' worth of new buildings in the hands of local architects for this year, good building trades business is assured. Among the structures to be erected this summer are the new Bank of Montreal block, which will cost \$1,000,000, and an apartment house that will occupy an entire block and will cost \$350,000. Bank buildings and apartment blocks are becoming leading features of Winnipeg construction. There are over 200 apartment blocks in the city, many of them splendidly appointed structures.

A Great City Growing

Winnipeg has grown greatly during the year. The directory census gives the city and close-lying suburbs 172,000 people at the close of 1909, which places the population of the city proper at not far from 150,000, and it will not be long before the directory will be a part of the city in fact, as well as in a population point of view. City and country are filling up fast with new people and the splendid winter weather has been very favorable to this process. In fact, local immigration officials have noted an extraordinary influx of new people and during the winter months, and J. Bruce Walker, Dominion Immigration Commissioner at Winnipeg, said the other day that it has never happened before that so many people have come to Manitoba for settlement purposes during the winter months, and Commissioner Walker argues from this, with much reason, a big population growth for the West in 1910.

Whole West is Making Strides

This winter influx of people is spreading all over the West, and population and capital is entering by every line of railroad. Travel on the Soo Line is heavy and daily trains are crowded with people who have cast their lot in Western Canada. Some of these are homesteaders with very little money but many are farmers who have made money in the States and who come to Canada to get cheap land and to invest the money they have where their experience and that of others has proven that such an investment returns a better profit than any had by like process in any other part of the world. Under this impetus of new population and new capital, the provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta are filling up fast, too, and such cities as Regina, Moose Jaw, Lethbridge, Saskatoon, Edmonton and Calgary are receiving considerable accessions of people and money. Many smaller places are growing rapidly, too, and along such new lines as the Moose Jaw-Outlook branch the towns that are there are making phenomenal growth upon the working capital of rich land and enormous returns. Shipping points on this new line that are but a little more than a year from the open prairie, have shipped more than \$20,000,000 worth of wheat this year, and have yet a large reserve stock to send out. At a net price of from eighty-five to ninety-five cents a bushel and a crop yield of thirty bushels to the acre, a reason for the rapid growth of such a section is not far from the growth of the story is one that is many times repeated in the history of Western Canadian progress.

By-law No. --

A By-law to authorize the sum of \$10,000 to be raised on the credit of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, for the purpose of constructing Electric Light works in the said Village, including equipping an Electric Light plant, and acquiring and equipping therefor a sub-station in the said Village.

Passed the day of 1910.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling deems it advisable, and in the interest of the Corporation to construct Electric Light works, in and for the said Village.

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling has resolved to raise by way of loan the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the principal of the debt to be created by the said loan shall be repayable during the currency of twenty years by twenty annual installments of such amount that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest may be to what is payable for principal and interest in each of the other years of the said period of twenty years.

AND WHEREAS it will require the sum of \$892.42 to be raised annually for twenty years by special rate on the whole rateable property of the Village of Stirling, to discharge the several installments of principal and interest accruing due on the said debt, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, as the said installments and interest become respectively payable under this By-law.

AND WHEREAS for the purpose aforesaid By-law No. 232 of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling was passed, authorizing the issue of debentures for a similar amount.

AND WHEREAS the said By-law, owing to certain errors and omissions has been found to be illegal, and the debentures issued or issued thereunder to be unsaleable, and it is necessary that the said By-law No. 232 should be repealed, and the said debentures (if any) issued under the authority thereof should be destroyed.

AND WHEREAS the amount of the existing debenture debt of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling is \$17,979.95, no part of which, either for principal or interest, is in arrears.

AND WHEREAS the estimates of the intended expenditure of the money to be raised under this By-law is set forth in Schedule "A" hereto annexed.

THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling enacts as follows:

(1) THAT By-law No. 252 of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, entitled "A By-law to authorize the issue of debentures by the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, for the purpose of purchasing, establishing and equipping an Electric Light plant and sub-station in said Village, and for such other public purposes as the Council may decide upon," is hereby repealed, and the Reeve and Treasurer of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling are hereby authorized and directed to cancel and destroy any and all debentures which may have been issued or executed under or by virtue of the said By-law No. 252, which is hereby repealed.

(2) THAT it shall be lawful for the Corporation of the Village of Stirling to raise by way of loan upon the security of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, that may be willing to advance the same, upon the credit of such debentures, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$10,000, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling for the purpose, and with the object above recited, and for no other purpose.

(3) THAT for the purpose of the said loan the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling shall cause to be issued debentures of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling, with coupons attached for the payment of interest, under its corporate Seal, signed by the Reeve and Treasurer of the said Corporation, to the amount of \$10,000, and in sums of not less than \$100 each.

(4) THAT the said loan of \$10,000 shall be repayable in twenty consecutive annual installments during the currency of twenty years from the day hereinafter mentioned, a sum of money to take effect, the first of such installments shall be paid on the first day of December, 1910, and such installments shall be of such amounts that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in any year shall be equal as nearly as may be to what is payable for principal and interest during the other years of the said period of twenty years, and the said debentures shall be issued for the amounts, and shall be payable at the times corresponding with the said installments, and shall bear interest at five per cent. per annum from the date thereof.

(5) THAT the principal money secured by the said debentures, shall be made payable in the current money of the Dominion of Canada, and the same with the interest accruing thereon shall be made payable at the office of the United Empire Bank in the Village of Stirling.

(6) THAT the said debentures shall be made payable on the first day of December in each year in which they are respectively payable, and the interest thereon shall be payable on the said day in each year, in from and after the year 1910.

(7) THAT the said debentures shall be issued and negotiated and their amounts respectively determined by and under the superintendence of the Reeve and Treasurer of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling, and according to the provisions of this By-law.

(8) THAT for the purpose of providing a fund for the payment of the said debentures as they respectively become due, and the interest thereon as aforesaid, there shall be levied and collected in each and every year during the said period of twenty years, the sum of \$892.42, which sum shall be levied and

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(b) Prevents or obstructs the sending, conveyance or delivery of any communication by any such telegraph, telephone or fire-alarm, or the transmission of electricity for any such electric light, or for any such purpose as aforesaid.

2—Any one who wilfully by any overt act, attempts to commit any such offence, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, or to three months' imprisonment, with or without hard labour.—R. S. C. c. 168, ss. 40 and 41.

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The Late John T. Green

After a very brief illness, Mr. John T. Green passed away at the residence of his son, Dr. Chas. S. Green, 186 Madison Ave., New York, on Jan. 24, 1910, in the 51st year of his age.

Mr. Green was for many years a resident of the township of Rawdon, and was well known and respected as a man of sterling integrity, and a friend who could be looked up to and trusted in all the relations of life.

In early manhood he took as his life partner, Nana Sine, daughter of Mr. David Sine of the township of Rawdon. They settled on a farm for some years, and afterward entered upon a general store business at Sine, which was carried on successfully for several years. In 1900 Mr. Green was bereaved of his life partner, a loss which he felt most severely, as she was one who was highly esteemed by all who knew her.

Mr. Green was for many years a member of Stirling Lodge No. 239, I. O. O. F., and later one of the charter members of Stirling Encampment No. 80, to both of which he remained a faithful member until his death. At his request the funeral was held under the auspices of Stirling Lodge No. 239, and the service at Bethel church was conducted by Rev. W. D. P. Wilson, also a member of the lodge.

The deceased leaves to mourn his death two sons, Dr. Charles S. Green, and D. Sherwood Green, of New York, and four brothers, Peter V., of Stirling, Alexander, Valentine and George, and one sister, Mrs. S. Denike, all of Rawdon. They mourn his loss, but know that he has just gone on before, and they will meet him on the other shore. They may take comfort from the words of the poet Gerald Massey:

High hopes that burn like stars sublime,
Go down in the skies of freedom,
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222 RICHARD BAILEY, Collector.

Notice!

All persons desiring to become members of the Horticultural Society are requested to send in their names and fee before the 25th inst. as it is necessary that the list be completed at that time. We expect this year to surpass all previous records, and the amount you pay is well invested. A prize of 100 Tulip Bulbs will be given for the best kept lawn in Stirling during 1910.

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Notice to Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of Jerome Conley, Sr., late of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, Cooper, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chap. 129, sec. 38, and amending Acts, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the late Jerome Conley, Sr., who died on or about the eighth day of January, A.D. 1910, are required on or before the 15th day of February, A.D. 1910, to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to J. T. Blahaw, the Executor of the last will and testament of Jerome Conley, Sr., at the village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, Stirling post office, or his Solicitor as hereinafter at Stirling post office, their Christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions and full particulars of their claims, for such assets of any part thereof to any person or persons, of whose claim notice shall not have been received.

And further notice is given that after such last mentioned date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, paying regard only for the claims of which he shall have notice, and that the Executor will not be bound to satisfy any claim of any person or persons, of whose claim notice shall not have been received.

Dated at Stirling, this 12th day of January, A.D. 1910.

Farm for Sale

On or before February 15th, part of the north half of Lot 20 in the 9th Concession of Sidney, in the Village of Stirling. Part cash, balance on easy terms of payment.

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OVER 150 PERSONS PERISH

Passenger Steamer From Marseilles to Algiers Wrecked.

A despatch from Palma, Island of Majorca, says: Swept helplessly from her course in one of the wildest storms that has swept the Mediterranean Sea in forty years, the French Transatlantic Steamship Company's steamer General Chanzy crashed at full speed, in the dead of night, on treacherous reefs near the Island of Minorca, and all but one of the 157 souls on board perished.

The sole survivor is an Algerian customs officer, Marcel Rodet, who was rescued by a fisherman and lies at present in the hospital at Cindadela, raving, as a result of the tortures through which he passed, and unable to give an account of the disaster.

Of the ship's company there were 67 passengers, of whom 30 were in the first cabin. The crew numbered 70. The ship was in command of Captain Cayol, one of the most careful officers of the line. He never before had met with an accident. He soon was to have retired from the service.

The passengers of the Chanzy were mostly French officers and officials returning to their posts in

Algeria, accompanied by their wives and children, a few soldiers, some Italians and Turks, and one priest. The only Anglo-Saxon names on the passenger list were Green and Stakely. They were members of an opera troupe of eleven which had been engaged to sing at the Casino in Algiers.

The General Chanzy sailed from Marseilles on Wednesday at noon, and was due to arrive at Algiers on Thursday afternoon.

The Chanzy is a total wreck. Steamers have been despatched from Spain and from points in the Balearic Islands to the scene of the catastrophe. Among the victims was the celebrated Parisian music hall singer, Francis Dufour, as well as other prominent music hall favorites.

The General Chanzy struck at 9 o'clock Thursday night. Other ships in the neighborhood had safely outridden the storm, but the Chanzy was lifted off her course through the Balearic Archipelago and brought up on the coast of Minorca, in the vicinity of Ciudadela. Fishermen at daybreak picked up Rodet clinging to a piece of wreckage.

FELL INTO THE TURBINE.

Edward Kehoe Killed at Niagara Falls.

A despatch from Niagara Falls says: Falling into the forebay of No. 1 plant of the Niagara Falls Power Company, Edward Kehoe, aged 50, was instantly killed on Thursday morning. His body passed under the racks and fell 150 feet on to the turbine wheels of a ten thousand horsepower generator. When his body was found it was jammed in the wheel casing, and was terribly mutilated. Kehoe was keeping the penstock free from ice when he lost his balance and fell into the water, which quickly carried him down. Frank Buchanan saw him fall, but was powerless to save him. The dead man leaves a wife and six children.

LEG SEVERED BY SLEIGH.

Woodstock Lad Stealing a Ride Fell Under Runner.

A despatch from Woodstock, Ont., says: A lad named Arthur, six years of age, jumped off a sleigh containing a load of brick after school on Wednesday afternoon, and getting under the runners, his leg was cut off just below the knee. His recovery is expected.

FRANCE SENDS HER THANKS.

Canada's Contribution to Flood Relief is Handed Over.

A despatch from Ottawa says: At the opening of the House on Thursday Mr. Fielding read a telegram from Sir Francis Bortie, British Ambassador at Paris, acknowledging the receipt of Canada's gift of \$50,000 to assist the sufferers from the floods in France. The message said: "Money handed over to French Minister of Foreign Affairs, who requests that the deep gratitude of the Government of the Republic, who are much touched at this generous sympathy, be conveyed to the people of Canada."

MAD DOG KILLED.

Men in Pere Marquette Shops Visited by Snapping Terrier.

A despatch from St. Thomas says: A stray Scotch terrier, frothing at the mouth, suffering from frequent convulsions and evidently infected with rabies in an advanced stage, invaded the Pere Marquette shops on Thursday and created a panic among the employees. One of the men killed the beast with a crow-bar.

A MILITARY AIRSHIP.

Launch of Huge Craft for Use of British Army.

A despatch from London says: The British army appears at last to have recurred a workable airship after many false starts. Manned by Col. Capper and four assistants, the huge fish-shaped craft was launched from the Military Balloon factory at Farnborough on Saturday. An hour was occupied in a flight over Luffin's Plain to Aldershot Camp, and back to its shed. The airship travelled several hundred feet above the highest points passed over and appeared to answer its helm perfectly. It seemed to be under thorough control throughout the trip and maintained a good speed even when driven in the teeth of a stiff breeze. The new machine is many times greater in size than its predecessors, being 170 feet in length with pointed ends and having fin-like projections on either side. Framework extends below the body for about three-fourths of its length. The propellers are attached to its sides.

FIRE VISITS THE CAPITAL.

The Loss to Three Firms Will Total \$92,000.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A fire which occurred in a Rideau Street building at noon on Sunday caused damage to the building and contents amounting to \$92,000. The building was occupied by Hugh Carson Limited, saddlers; T. Shore, hardware dealer, and F. W. Lord, furniture dealer. The loss was distributed as follows:—Hugh Carson, Limited, \$75,000, with \$35,000 insurance; T. Shore, \$6,000, with \$3,000 insurance, and F. W. Lord, damage caused by water, \$11,500. The building, which belonged to W. J. Charleson and J. B. Duford, was damaged to the extent of \$10,000. It was fully insured.

DOG PICKED UP AT SEA.

Big Newfoundland Swimming Hundred Miles From Land.

A despatch from Vancouver says: The steamer Fred J. Wood, which arrived from the Pacific coast on Sunday, reports picking up a large black Newfoundland dog one hundred miles from land. The animal was almost dead from exhaustion. He recovered and now seems none the worse. He wore no collar, and was apparently lost overboard from some passing ship.

FIFTY PERSONS DROWNED

British Steamer Lima Wrecked on One of the Islands of the Huamblin Passage.

A despatch from Santiago, Chile, says: The Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Lima is ashore on one of the islands of the Huamblin passage of the Straits of Magellan, and will probably be a total loss. The chief pilot and fifty passengers were drowned.

The British steamer Hatmet rescued 305 of the persons aboard the stranded steamer, but was forced to leave 25 aboard, as there was great danger that she, herself, would be swept on the rocks by the storm that prevailed at the time.

The Chilean Government, immediately on receipt of the news that the Lima had been wrecked, despatched the protected cruiser Minisio Jenteno to the rescue, and the Pacific Navigation Company sent five steamers at top speed to the Straits of Magellan.

The Lima is a British vessel owned in Liverpool, and plying between that port and the ports of South America. She was last reported as sailing from Bahia Blanca, Argentina, on January 28, and was on her way to Chilean and Peruvian ports.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

The Legislatures of Alberta and Manitoba opened on Thursday.

An outbreak of trachoma has been discovered among Regina school children.

The Grand Trunk Railway's half-yearly statement has given great satisfaction on the London market.

An employee of the Montreal registry office has absconded with a shortage of \$5,000 in his accounts.

As Galt has abandoned the annual horse show, Brantford will make an attempt to secure it as an annual fixture.

Mr. John Redmond's declaration of policy has caused some embarrassment and much speculation in British political circles.

William Masson, a special constable at Montreal, was fined thirty dollars for annoying a young woman, and his license was cancelled.

The body of Robert J. Brown, the Ottawa teacher, who disappeared some time ago, has been found on the shore of Okanagan Lake, B. C.

The British and American expeditions which are soon to make a dash for the South Pole from different sides may co-operate to a certain extent.

GREAT BRITAIN.

M. Cecil W. Norton, the British Liberal Whip, says the Budget will have been passed in a fortnight's time.

The Independent Labor party has decided to make the question of votes for women an issue in Britain.

The Daily Chronicle expresses the opinion that the next Governor-General of Canada will be a statesman of personal prestige.

Keir Hardie declared at the meeting of the Independent Labor party that the Laborites in the British Parliament would still remain independent.

Mr. Redmond announced at a meeting of the United Irish League that he would put the Government out of office unless it had both the will and the power to deal with the Lord's veto.

UNITED STATES.

The Grand Trunk Railway is seeking an entry to Providence, R. I.

The firemen on the Michigan Central are demanding an increase in wages.

Three children were burned to death in a fire at Ogdensburg on Wednesday.

A newly married couple were murdered at Cleveland by a creditor who could not get his money from them.

It is probable that Congress will vote Commander Peary a medal of honor instead of promoting him to the rank of Rear-Admiral.

The National Geographic Society of the United States has begun a campaign for funds to send an expedition in search of the South Pole.

Bennet C. Silver, who was accused of Black Hand practices at New York, pulled out his moustache, one hair at a time, in an attempt to make it impossible for a witness to identify him.

GENERAL.

The French Antarctic expedition under Dr. Charcot did not reach the South Pole.

The Indian Government will release all the political prisoners who were ordered deported fourteen months ago.

The Spanish Premier has resigned and a Cabinet has been formed by Senor Canalejas, leader of the extreme Liberals.

BOILER KILLED SIX MEN.

Exploded While They Were Warming Themselves About It.

A despatch from Bay City, Mich., says: While a score of workmen were warming themselves in the boiler room of Prine's sawmill at Crumpton on Thursday waiting for the whistle to start the day's work, the boiler exploded, instantly killing six of the men and injuring all the others. The mill was wrecked, debris being scattered 100 feet in every direction. It is believed that cold water was forced into the boiler when the water was low, causing an excess of steam.

CZARINA'S CONDITION GRAVE.

Unable to Recognize Either Her Husband or Children.

A despatch from Berlin says: The Vienna correspondent of the Tagblatt professes to have information that the condition of the Czarina is so grave that she is unable to recognize the Czar or her children.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, \$4.25 to \$4.30 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and \$4.15 to \$4.20 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, \$5.70; seconds, \$5.20 to \$5.30, and strong bakers', \$5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.12, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern at \$1.10, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 mixed red Winter or white, \$1.07 to \$1.09 outside.

Barley—No. 2, 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed, 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 29 to 40c outside, and 42 to 42c on track, Toronto. Canada West oats, 42c to 43c for No. 2, and 41c to 42c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—\$4 to 85c for No. 2 for shipment at outside points.

Rye—No. 2, 68c outside.

Buckwheat—53c to 54c outside for No. 2.

Corn—New kiln-dried No. 3, 73c, and No. 3 new yellow, selected, 70c, Toronto freights.

Brans—\$23.50 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, \$24, in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—\$1.60 to \$3 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, \$1.80 to \$1.90, and small lots at \$2 to \$2.15 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, dozen, \$2 to \$2.50; extracted, 10c to 12c per lb.

Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, \$13.50 to \$14, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$12.50 on track, Toronto.

Baled Straw—\$7.50 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—47 to 50c per bag on track for Ontarios.

Poultry—Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb.; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowl, 10 to 11c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 20 to 21c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27, and solids, 24 to 25c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 30 to 32c per dozen, and storage, 23c per doz.

Cheese—12c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon, long clear, 14c to 14c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, \$27; short cut, \$28.50 to \$29.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15c; do., heavy, 14 to 14c; rolls, 14 to 14c; shoulders, 13 to 13c; breakfast bacon, 17 to 17c; backs, 18c to 19c.

Lard—Tierces, 15c; tubs, 15c; pails, 16c.

BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 15.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 45c to 46c; No. 2 oats, 44c to 45c; Ontario No. 2 white, 43c to 44c; Ontario No. 3 white, 42c to 43c; Ontario No. 4 white, 41c to 42c. Barley—No. 2, 59c to 60c; No. 3, 58c to 59c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.80; do., seconds, \$5.30; Winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', \$5.10; straight rollers, \$5.10 to \$5.25; do., in bags, \$2.40 to \$2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, \$22.50 to \$23; Ontario middlings, \$23.50 to \$24; Manitoba bran, \$22; do., shorts, \$23; pure grain moullie, \$31 to \$33; mixed moullie, \$27 to \$29. Cheese—Sept. and Oct. make Western, 12 to 12c; easterns at 11c to 12c. Butter—choicest creamery, 26 to 26c; fresh receipts at 24c to 25c. Eggs—Selected stock, 28 to 30c; No. 1 candled, 25 to 27c per dozen.

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Buffalo, Feb. 15.—Wheat—Spring wheat firm; No. 1 Northern, car loads store, \$1.19c; Winter steady. Corn—Strong. Oats—Firm. Rye—No. 2, on track, 83c.

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Mr. Philip Burgess is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mrs. R. Currie of Tweed has been visiting at Mr. Fred Snarr's and other friends here.

Miss Bertha Reynolds of Stirling was a guest at Mr. Elgin Jackman's last week.

Miss Rebecca Mack spent some time recently with friends at Minto.

Mr. Selborne Dracup has rented his farm to Mr. Wm. Frantz of Seymour.

Mr. Dracup intends to go West soon.

Miss Ingram of Seymour is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed. Todd.

Miss Henderson spent part of Saturday and Sunday with Anson friends.

Mr. Roscoe Wright of Stirling was a visitor in this vicinity on Sunday last.

Mr. Chas. Dracup was in Toronto a week ago on a business trip.

Mrs. Geo. E. Mack to the High River, Alta., formerly of this place, is renewing old acquaintances here.

Mr. E. Fox and Miss K. McGee of Stirling spent Sunday at Mr. E. Jackman's.

Messrs. Roy Walker and Victor Taylor made a friendly call at Mt. Pleasant on Sunday.

Mr. Ernest Wootton of Maynooth is visiting at his father's home.

A large number of the members of the W. I., with several visitors, spent a few hours advantageously on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Chas. Dracup, discussing topics of an instructive nature, interspersed with a good program.

Our ladies intend to next meet at the home of Miss E. Rainnie.

The Royal Scarlet Chapter was open here on Monday night, and degrees were conferred on several members.

Just what happened to the candidates we are not prepared to tell; this we do know, that an adjournment was made to Mr. Wm. Snarr's dining room, where a banquet was given by the society to its members, the principle item on the menu card being oysters. A lengthy list of toasts was proposed and cleverly responded to, followed by a flow of conversation, when lo, it was time to go.

Mt. Pleasant

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jeffs spent Tuesday and Wednesday last week in Tweed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Potts have returned from Northport.

Will makes a splendid bachelor.

Mrs. Robt. Totton spent a few days with her daughter Nellie, at Mr. Jas. Sharpe's.

Mr. W. H. Scott is able to be out again.

Mr. Edison McConnell of Bancroft spent Sunday with his mother.

Mrs. Wm. Hubbel is visiting her brother, Mr. Frank Hubbel.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Patterson visited Mrs. J. C. Linn last Wednesday.

Miss Alice Reid spent the few of her friends on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Edgar Reid has been with her sister, Mrs. Matthews, who has been very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Patterson were the guests of Mrs. A. Bailey on Wednesday night.

Mr. Ernest McDonald and Miss Nellie Totton spent Friday evening with Dr. and Mrs. Totton, Springbrook.

Mr. Jay Weaver of Stirling visited his sister, Mrs. Claude Sharp, on Sunday.

Miss Blanche Williams has returned home from Napanee.

Anson News

Mrs. Nancy McConnell fell on the ice and injured herself severely.

Mr. E. D. McConnell, Public School principal at Bancroft, visited his mother on Sunday.

Mr. Gilbert Smith attended the Epworth League convention at Cobourg, and reports a very instructive and helpful meeting.

Mr. G. Smith and son Osborne are on the sick list. Mrs. Jas. Hubble is also ill.

Mr. H. Nelson, G. T. R. agent at Keesee and Mr. Guy Winters of Campbellford visited last week at Mrs. A. McMullen's.

Miss M. Henderson, teacher at Wellman's, was the guest of Miss Hazel McMullen on Sunday.

Mrs. Pearson of Trenton is visiting her son, Mr. W. Pearson.

Mr. Ross Hoard has purchased a fine horse for farming purposes.

Mr. Leo Pearce attended the Trenton and Lindsay hockey match in Trenton. Measles are in our midst.

Mr. Ridley Palmer a well known resident of the village of Corbyville was fined the sum of \$150 and costs, amounting in all to \$172 for selling liquor in a local option township.

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Professor F. H. King, of Madison, Wis., in writing on soil cultivation in the far East in FARM AND FIRESIDE makes these interesting comments:

It could not fail to be a matter of the highest industrial, educational and social importance to all nations, were it possible to bring to them a full and accurate account of all those conditions and practices which have made it possible for such dense populations to be maintained so largely upon the products of Chinese, Korean, and Japanese soils. Many of the steps, phases and practices through which this evolution has passed are irrevocably buried in the past, but such remarkable maintenance efficiency attained centuries ago and projected into the past with little apparent decadence, merits the most profound study and the time is fully ripe when it should be made.

With our population increasing at the rate of nearly a million a year during the last half century it is clear that we can hardly learn too soon or too thoroughly our probable limit of soil and crop production, and the best methods of insuring and maintaining it. Probably nothing can give a safer measure of the maintenance capacity of the farm and farmers of a nation than the number of people they feed per unit area of cultivated field, and it is doubtful if there is a better place to study this problem than in China and Japan at the present time.

According to official statistics published in 1908 Japan has in its main islands, exclusive of Formosa and Karafuto, a population of 48,542,736 and the area of its cultivated fields is 21,321 square miles. This is 2,277 people to the square mile, and besides these there are also maintained 2,600,000 cattle and horses, nearly all of which are laboring animals, giving a population of one hundred and forty-two people and seven horses and cattle to each forty acres of cultivated field; a condition sufficiently different from our most fully occupied forty-acre farm to make the busiest man among us stop and do some thinking.

The old farmer who permitted me to hold his plow told my interpreter that there were twelve in his family and that he owned and was cultivating fifteen mow of land, which is two and one half acres, and that besides his team—a cow and small donkey—he usually fed two pigs. This is at the rate of one hundred and ninety-two people, sixteen cows, sixteen donkeys, and thirty-two pigs on a forty-acre farm; a population density of 3,072 people, two hundred and fifty-six cows, two hundred and fifty-six donkeys and five hundred and twelve swine per square mile.

Japan is making rapid strides along many industrial lines and great attention has for many years been paid to her agriculture, in which rapid progress is being made. As early as 1872 she had established an agricultural college. For several years the soil survey of the main islands has been completed with large scale maps and is made the basis of values for national, prefectural and local land taxes. She has an admirable system of road maintenance in effective operation. She has many agricultural experiment stations, nine of which we visited, and the equipment at Tokio for soil investigation is superior to anything yet provided in this country. We have more pretentious buildings, but their resources are more largely used in providing appliances and men for rigid, accurate research work. I visited one of their dormitories at the agricultural college connected with the Fukuoka Experimental Station, and here young men are provided with room and board at four dollars (gold) per month. From the two colleges of highest rank they had graduated, in 1907, 1,041 students; from their one hundred and thirty-nine A and B classes of agricultural schools of second rank they had graduated in 1906, 12,371, and from the still lower grade of third rank they graduated in 1905, from the 2,450 supplementary agricultural schools, 14,927.

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THE MYSTERY CLEARED UP; OR, THE HERITAGE OF MADAME VALTA.

CHAPTER IV.—(Cont'd)

The woman murmured her thanks and entered Rue Beaujon, which branched off from the Avenue de Friedland at the point where she had been interrogating the porter. She soon discovered the magnificent entrance to the Valta mansion, and there her hesitation renewed itself. She began to walk slowly the length of the iron railing, behind which was stationed the majestic porter who had introduced Maxime the morning before.

This personage, doubtless, intimidated her, for the nearer she approached him the more her footsteps relaxed, and she turned away her head as she drew the brass knob near the ledge.

The bedizened Swiss advanced majestically, measured the visitor with a glance, and inquired politely what she wished.

"I want to see Madame the Countess Valta," she stammered.

"Madame the countess does not receive," replied the colossus; "but if you will give me your name and tell me why you come—"

The girl started and lowered her head; then conquering her timidity, raised it again, and said firmly: "I am sure the countess will receive me if you will say to her that Mlle. Dorgeres wishes to speak to her."

The porter changed his tone instantly. He was not ignorant that the head coachman had driven Madame Valta the day before to the house of M. Dorgeres, Rue de Suvernes.

"I beg mademoiselle to excuse me, and if mademoiselle will take the trouble to enter the waiting-room, I will inform madame the countess. She is still much indisposed, and I had orders to admit no one."

This discourse was punctuated by the striking of a bell, which resulted in the appearance on the stairway of a valet de pied.

Mlle. Dorgeres, introduced by the porter, was delivered into the hands of this valet, who conducted her to the apartments on the ground-floor in which her cousin had been received every day for a month past by Dr. Villagros.

She had not long to wait for the reply of the countess. The duenna who had introduced Maxime on his last visit came down stairs expressly to receive Mlle. Dorgeres.

"Mademoiselle," she said smilingly, "my mistress is so happy to receive a visit from you that she will not ask you to postpone it till to-morrow, though she suffers much just now. She hopes you will excuse her for receiving you in bed."

Alice stammered a few words of thanks and followed the woman-in-waiting.

The duenna conducted her by the same stairway which ended in the superb apartments on the first floor through which she had conducted Maxime, but did not usher her into the oval chamber.

The countess was in her own room in an immense bed, a genuine specimen of the Louis XIV. age, with heavy curtains of Gobelin tapestry. A faint light was diffused through the stained-glass windows.

Alice could scarcely summon courage to advance. Timidity took possession of her. How was she to approach the woman whose pale face was scarcely visible? How should she explain this strange visit? And if Maxime had gone no further than to express a sympathy for M. de Carnoel, without having undertaken to defend him against his accusers!

All these discouraging thoughts came to her at once; but her apprehensions were quickly dissipated.

A voice which sounded in her ears like celestial music pronounced these words:

"I knew you would come. You guessed I had something to say to you."

Alice colored with happiness and advanced quickly.

"Thanks for him and for me," resumed the countess. "If you had not come it is impossible to say when I should have seen you, for yesterday evening a new crisis came on which has not yet passed. Pardon me that I do not offer you my arms, but my physician has ordered me to be absolutely motionless. Sit down and let us talk."

Alice took her seat in a low chair by the bedside, and said in an agitated voice:

"out the knowledge of my father, because my cousin told me you were anxious to prove the innocence of M. de Carnoel. I wanted to know on what you founded your belief."

"You love him; is it so?"

"I did love him," said Alice, with an effort.

"And yet you are betrothed to another?"

"I thought—they showed me that M. de Carnoel had been guilty of something dishonorable. I yielded to the entreaties of my father, who begged me to marry. I am engaged in the eyes of the world, but my heart is my own."

"They have shown you that this young man has—stolen. Why not speak the word, since it is an odious calumny? Before replying to this calumny, permit me to ask you informed you of what took place and what you have heard?"

"My father. He told me that on opening the safe the cashier perceived the disappearance of a casket containing valuable papers belonging to a Russian. M. de Carnoel had left precipitately the night before at the very hour the safe was opened with a false key."

"And they concluded boldly that it was he. They did not stop to ask what interest this young man could have in possessing himself of a casket containing papers of nobody knew what sort, when the safe was full of gold and notes that were not touched."

"A sum of money was also taken," said the girl, in a stifled voice—"fifty thousand francs."

"It is not true," cried the countess.

"Alas, madame, it is too true! The cashier counted the money in the presence of my father and this Russian. A roll of bank-notes was missing."

"It is impossible!" said the countess, with an extraordinary confidence; "but continue, mademoiselle. Your father has given you no other details of this affair?"

"None, madame."

"He has not spoken to you, then, of a first attempt which failed, and which preceded the second by a few days only?"

"No. Had there been a previous attempt to rob the safe M. Vignory would have told me; it would have been spoken of in my hearing."

"Then he who gave me the information was mistaken."

"Georget, was it not?"

"You know that! Then you saw your cousin yesterday?"

"Yes, madame. Maxime brought the poor child to the office. I met them as I was going out with my governess, and it was then I had this conversation with Maxime. You believe, then, that M. de Carnoel is in Paris?"

"I am certain of it. You will be surprised when I say that the day you were awaiting him in the Bois de Boulogne he must have fallen into the hands of some powerful enemy."

"You knew I was expecting him?"

"The day the great cold began I went to the lake in a sleigh with M. Maxime Dorgeres. You passed near us in a carriage with your governess. Your cousin expressed a desire to follow you, and, pressed by me, confessed that he wished to be present at a rendezvous you had given to M. de Carnoel. Afterward I learned that M. de Carnoel had not appeared, and that he was accused of an infamy—long afterward, unfortunately, for there was not time to avert what might have been prevented had I been better informed at first. But fate intervened. I fell seriously ill. Now the time has come to repair the evil I have unintentionally suffered. I want to find M. de Carnoel, and when I have done so will take him myself to your father."

"My father would refuse to receive him."

"He must receive him, when I bring him the proof that he has been calumniated and is entitled to reparation."

"The proof?" repeated Mlle. Dorgeres, doubtfully.

"Yes, the proof; for if it is necessary in order to exonerate him the guilty party will denounce himself. I swear to you that it was not M. de Carnoel."

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justice? She, whose life was the sport of her caprices! It was much more probable that she was interested personally in M. de Carnoel, and this interest must be very lively, since she offered to sacrifice some one to him.

"She loves him, perhaps," thought Mlle. Dorgeres, sadly.

"I hope now that you do not regret having come," said Mme. Valta, "and that henceforth we are united in the effort to save M. de Carnoel."

"You have known him long?" she asked timidly.

"I do not know him at all; I have never seen him that I am aware of."

Alice's face brightened, and she was about to protest with warmth her devotion to the projects of the countess, but at this moment the lady-in-waiting entered, and said to her mistress:

"M. Maxime Dorgeres begs to see the countess immediately. He assures me that he brings news of importance."

"Go," cried the countess, "bring him in."

The duenna turned briskly on her heels, and as soon as she was left alone with the countess, Alice rose and said with some agitation:

"Madame, I beg you not to compel me to see my cousin. I would not for the world have him find me here."

"If you were to follow my femme de chambre you would inevitably meet M. Dorgeres. There is no way to avoid him but to go in there," she added, pointing to a door not far from the head of the bed, which opened in the midst of tapestry hangings.

"You will find it a very commodious prison, and I think, will not be detained long. It will be in your power to leave it should you change your mind as to the convenience of a meeting with M. Dorgeres."

Alice ran to the point of exit indicated, and glided noiselessly into a vast apartment, a toilette boudoir filled with luxurious furniture, objects of art and curiosities in glass cases. She had no sooner disappeared than Maxime entered radiant. His joy was somewhat abated at being received, not as before, on a divan of state, but a real invalid's couch.

"What! you are seriously indisposed, and were out yesterday?"

"I did get out and I was wrong, having obtained nothing from M. Dorgeres, and paid for my imprudence this morning. But that doesn't matter. Tell me of your expedition with Georget. First,

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The seeds are assorted varieties, in 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 120, 150, 200, 250, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1200, 1500, 2000, 2500, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000, 10000, 12000, 15000, 20000, 25000, 30000, 40000, 50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000, 120000, 150000, 200000, 250000, 300000, 400000, 500000, 600000, 700000, 800000, 900000, 1000000, 1200000, 1500000, 2000000, 2500000, 3000000, 4000000, 5000000, 6000000, 7000000, 8000000, 9000000, 10000000, 12000000, 15000000, 20000000, 25000000, 30000000, 40000000, 50000000, 60000000, 70000000, 80000000, 90000000, 100000000, 120000000, 150000000, 200000000, 250000000, 300000000, 400000000, 500000000, 600000000, 700000000, 800000000, 900000000, 1000000000, 1200000000, 1500000000, 2000000000, 2500000000, 3000000000, 4000000000, 5000000000, 6000000000, 7000000000, 8000000000, 9000000000, 10000000000, 12000000000, 15000000000, 20000000000, 25000000000, 30000000000, 40000000000, 50000000000, 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Hints for Busy Housekeepers.

Recipes and Other Valuable Information
of Particular Interest to Women Folks.

SEASONABLE RECIPES.

Lunch Cake.—One pound brown sugar, one cupful molasses, four eggs, two teaspoonfuls of ground cinnamon, one teaspoonful ground cloves, 10 cents' worth sweet almonds chopped, 5 cents' worth citron, one teaspoonful of soda, flour enough to make a stiff batter. Moderate oven. Should age one week. Will keep for three months or more. Nice to have on hand when a friend drops in unexpectedly for an afternoon cup of tea or coffee.

Doughnuts.—One egg, one cupful of sugar, butter size of walnut, one and one-half cupfuls of milk, two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one quart of flour, flavor with either vanilla or nutmeg; fry in hot fat.

Apple Sauce Cake.—Two cupfuls of granulated sugar, one cupful shortening (one-half butter, one-half lard), two cupfuls hot apple sauce, three and one-half cupfuls of flour, three and one-half cupfuls of soda (dissolved in one tablespoonful of hot water), one square grated chocolate, one cupful of chopped raisins, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half nutmeg, grated; add nuts if desired. This cake cannot be told from a dark fruit cake, and will keep any length of time.

Pimento Relish.—One large head of cabbage chopped fine, one small can of pimientos, also four pickles either sweet or sour, two green cucumbers, all chopped; mix this together and pour over it one-half glassful of vinegar in which one tablespoonful of sugar and one teaspoonful of salt have been dissolved. Put in a cool place and let it get cold before serving.

Creamed Chicken.—One pound of cold chicken or turkey cut as for salad. Rub two ounces of butter in two tablespoonfuls of flour. Add one pint of milk, salt, red and black pepper, and a glass of sherry. Cook slowly two or three minutes. Add the chicken and two hard boiled eggs chopped fine.

Pot Roast of Beef.—Six pounds of beef. Dredge well with flour. Place in a pot with a little drippings and a sliced onion. Brown on all sides. Add three pints of water, cook slowly for three hours. Keep covered with water to prevent burning. Add one and a half cupfuls of highly seasoned tomato catsup and cook three-quarters of an hour longer. Serve meat and sauce on a hot platter.

Mock Oysters.—Chop fine a pound and a half of fresh pork; season with salt and pepper and minced onion; add half the quantity of bread soaked in water until soft and squeezed dry. Mix with two eggs, well beaten, shape into patties and fry in drippings. Garnish with parsley and sliced lemon.

Finnan Haddie.—Put a piece of butter the size of a walnut in pan and when hot add two cupfuls of finnan haddie pickled fine. Add one cupful of cream or milk into which one tablespoonful of flour has been rubbed smooth. Let come to a boil and when cooled a little add a dash of pepper and the well beaten yolk of an egg. Serve on toast.

Corned Beef.—Cook in cold water, allowing fifteen minutes for each pound. Stick several cloves in the meat and add three tablespoonfuls of sugar to a gallon of water. Boil slowly, adding water when necessary.

Chutney.—Four pounds of fresh or canned tomatoes, four pounds sour apples, two pounds raisins, two pounds brown sugar, eight ounces ground ginger, one-quarter ounce red pepper, two ounces ground allspice, one ounce grated nutmeg, one quart mild malt vinegar, four small onions, and the juice of three lemons. Chop fine. Boil two hours. Bottle when cold.

Pecan Tarts.—Beat the yolks of three eggs to a cream, add half a cupful of sugar, and beat for five minutes. Pound half a pound of shelled pecans slightly. Add them to the eggs and sugar. Place the mixture in patty pans lined with paste, bake ten minutes; beat the whites of the eggs stiff, add two tablespoonfuls sugar; spread on top of tarts and brown in oven.

Mint Sauce.—One-quarter pint vinegar, four tablespoonfuls of chopped mint, and two tablespoonfuls of sugar. Let stand for an hour or more before using.

ATTRACTIVE DESSERTS.

Baked Suet Pudding.—Boil a pint of milk; when become cold stir it into eight ounces flour and six of shredded suet; add two eggs and a teaspoonful of salt. If to be plum pudding put in eight or ten ounces of seeded raisins and omit the salt.

Plum Pudding.—Beat together thoroughly one-half cupful of butter, one-half cupful of brown sugar, and two eggs; add one-half cupful of sour milk and one-half

cupful of molasses; to this mixture add two cupfuls of fruit, either currants and raisins equally divided, with a few strips of candied orange peel or citron, or currants alone, whichever is preferred; one-half teaspoonful each of ground cinnamon, cloves, allspice, and nutmeg, one teaspoonful of soda. Dissolve in a little water, flour enough to make rather a stiff batter, but not quite thick enough to be called cake batter. Butter a pudding mold or tin hard can. Pour the mixture in and steam four hours. This pudding will keep for a fortnight and is excellent when warmed over.

Cream sauce for pudding: Beat a foamy cream one and one-half cupfuls of white sugar and one-half cupful of fresh butter. It will take at least twenty minutes to beat the sugar and butter to the desired foamy state. Add one well beaten egg and flavor to taste. Just before serving beat into the sauce three tablespoonfuls of hot water, stirring rapidly to prevent its curdling.

Devil's Food.—Melt over a fire a cupful of grated chocolate, one cupful of brown sugar, and one-half cupful of sweet milk; cool and add the yolk of one egg, well beaten, and set aside. Cream one cupful of brown sugar and one-half cupful of butter, add one-half cupful of sweet milk and the yolks of two eggs. Fold in the stiffly beaten whites of two eggs. Last, add one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a little warm water. Bake in three layers and ice with the following icing: of marshmallows, boil until it Melt over a kettle 5 cents' worth threads one cupful of sugar and one-half cupful of water with one-half teaspoonful of white vinegar. Beat the remaining white of egg stiff pour slowly over it the syrup and stir in the marshmallows. Stir in a cool place until cool.

LITTLE HELPS.

Window Cleaning.—Instead of using water with soap, ammonia, borax, or kerosene, use denatured alcohol. Moisten one cloth, or better, chamois, with the alcohol and polish immediately with a dry one. Windows can be cleaned in half the time with a fraction of the labor and the result is brilliant, never cloudy or smuggy. It has the advantage, too, of keeping the window clear of frost in cold weather.

Denatured alcohol is sold at 65 cents a gallon. One pint will do thirty windows inside and out.

Tumbler Garden.—After the glass has been filled with water cut a piece of cotton batting or flannel to fit the top exactly. Scatter mustard, flax, or grass seeds on the wool and put the tumbler in the dark. In a few days the roots can be seen through the glass and the green sprouts above. The water in the glass will need to be kept full by adding a teaspoonful carefully two or three times a week. Keep the "garden" warm.

Carpet Cleaner.—One-eighth pint of ammonia, one and one-half ounces of soap tree bark, one and one-fourth bars of white soap, one-fourth pound of pulverized borax. Put three-fourths gallon of lukewarm water in a three gallon vessel. Put in ammonia. Take a vessel with one pint of water; add the soap bark. Boil twenty minutes and strain into the vessel. Have the soap put into a quart of water and boil until all is dissolved. Add the borax; boil ten minutes, stirring all the time. Pour into a vessel and add enough cold water to make three gallons of soap.

Glass Cutter.—If you wish to cut a piece of glass and have no glass cutter try this method: Take a file and mark the glass into the desired shape, bind tightly around marking with common wrapping twine, which has been soaked in kerosene, stand the glass up edgewise, and set fire to the twine. The heat will break the glass at the marking.

Dresser Help.—When toilet lotions or liquid of any kind has been spilled on dressers and varnish stains appear on the dresser scarf, saturate the stain in gasoline and then wash with naphtha soap and all traces of varnish will disappear.

Care of Hats.—A way to take care of hats in small apartments. Take of lawn, or any lightweight material, one yard for each large hat, run casing around ends and sides, using cord elastic. Draw up so that plenty of room is allowed for the largest hat, so the trimming will not crush. Tack the four corners to the wall to form a flat bag, or a back could be made of a heavier material, making the back proportionately smaller. The elastic at top allows the hats to be put away carefully and protects them from the dust—entirely out of the way.

Kettle Knobs.—If the knob of your kettle or of a lid is missing,

select a cork a little larger than the hole, trim one end, and insert in the hole, screwing in well. Steam will swell the cork, holding it firmly in place, and it will never become too hot to handle.

SALADS.

Garnishes.—One of the most convenient is the tiny red radish, which may be used whole or cut into roses. The small red and yellow tomatoes make beautiful garnishes, and beets are an old time favorite, either whole, in slices, or rings. Whites of hard boiled eggs are chopped fine or cut into rings or lengthwise into petals. Rings from red or green peppers sliced or whole. Olives, tiny pearl onions, shrimps, are all used. Tomato, mint, and cucumber jellies cut in cubes are pretty garnishes.

Winter Salad.—One cupful of raisins, softened in boiling water; one cupful of chopped apple, one-fourth cupful of chopped nuts, mayonnaise or French dressing. If mayonnaise is used it should be slightly sweetened. And lemon juice added to the French dressing if it is used.

Cream Salad.—One-half pint potatoes (sliced on vegetable cutter), one-half pint of sliced cucumber, one-half pint of sliced onion, one-half pint of cheese cut fine, one-half pint of celery cut fine, one pint of any kind of nuts, except almonds, broken in bits. Cream dressing for salad: Yolks of three eggs, beaten light; one teaspoonful of mustard, one of salt, a dash of cayenne pepper, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, same of melted butter, one-half cup of vinegar; add the whites of eggs, beaten stiff, and cook in double boiler until thick. When cold thin with cream and pour over salad. Onions can be omitted if wanted for an afternoon party.

NEW METHODS OF SOCIALISM

Enterprises Based on a Hint Taken From Financial Magnates.

In Europe, if we may believe such a writer and student as Prof. Brooks, the more advanced socialists have practically abandoned the old communism which is still groped after by the noisy socialists of America and have turned to more practical and profitable things by developing the infinite forms of co-operative industry.

In Belgium and in many other parts of Europe, as in England, the advanced socialists are to-day the co-operators. They have taken the hint of the financial magnates and organized co-operative stores, mills, bakeries and so on—in short, formed joint stock companies for the conduct of productive and distributive lines of business for their own benefit and profit.

In the great Austrian capital, Vienna, we find such a socialist venture—a great flouring mill and bread bakery, known as the "Hammer Bread Works" of the "Forward Co-operative Store," an association or company of workingmen that has some 70,000 members. The great establishment, which was opened on June 20 last, stands on a site once occupied by a cloister and later by an iron smelter and also a flouring mill. The great building erected by the socialists contains a flouring mill of the most modern type known to Austrian milling, with capacity to supply flour for a bakery turning out about 150,000 pounds of bread daily "and then some," the mill marketing a large part of its products directly in the form of flour.

The bakery in its turn is also a model of its kind with great, cheerful, clean and cleanable workrooms and the most advanced machinery for manufacturing bread with the least possible manual labor or contact with human hands, the movable parts of the machinery all getting power from electric motors. Cleanliness and perfection of the products is the aim.

"Give me a ham sandwich!" shouted the traveller at the bar of the refreshment-room. Two seconds later he complained to the attendant, "That was the worst sandwich I ever had. No more taste than sawdust, and not big enough to see." "You've got yer ticket," returned the attendant contemptuously; "this here's yer ham sandwich."



Ill blows the wind that profits nobody.—Life.

THE S. S. LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON,

FEB. 27.

Lesson IX. False and True Discipleship, Matt. 7. 13-29. Golden Text, Matt. 7. 21.

Verse 13. Enter ye in—An earnest exhortation to live after the manner described in the rest of the discourse. It implies the possibility of every man's living that way.

The narrow gate—The figure is taken from the Oriental city, whose gates were exceedingly narrow. There is an entrance into salvation and all men can pass through. But they must come one by one and strip themselves of all incumbrances.

Wide is the gate—Life presents us with an alternative. There are two gates. We can go in at either, but not at both. And it is easier to pass through the wide gate, for you can carry with you anything you like. After you once choose that gate you find that it opens upon a broad way. There are no restrictions, and you have the sense of company, for many are there with you. But the way leads inevitably to destruction.

14. The narrow gate, on the other hand, opens into a straitened way. There continues to be no room for the things renounced at the entrance. To travel that way one must have laid aside all sin and selfishness, all shams and follies. But it is worth while; for there is no surrender of freedom, and the end is life—a condition of unthinkable happiness.

Few are they that find it—Literally, "Few are finding it." This throws no light on the question as to the number of the saved. When Jesus was asked that question he avoided a direct answer. Instead he cautioned men to strain every nerve to get in for themselves.

"There is no list published of the citizens of heaven." One thing is certain, that the demands of membership in Christ's kingdom are severe and exclusive. No man will reach the goal who does not strip at the start and keep up the struggle with energy and patience.

15. False prophets—Impostors who, under a mask of orthodoxy, lead a corrupt life. The Pharisees whom Jesus arraigned so severely all through his ministry, belonged to this class, guides morally blind (Matt. 15. 14), and therefore totally unfit to teach religious truth and duty. But Jesus here has in mind (compare verse 22) those unworthy teachers who sprang up with the early life of the church.

What they actually are (inwardly), ravening wolves, whose one thought is to prey upon the flock, is hidden from view by their sheep's clothing, or feint of religiosity. It is necessary, therefore, to watch with exact care (beware), since it is impossible to detect them at first approach. The idea of this verse is found in Aesop's Fables, but nowhere else in the New Testament.

16. Ye shall know them—They may, with a show of innocence, teach religion and morals, but so long as they fail to produce the fruits of true religion and inward morality, such "fruit of the Spirit" as Paul describes in Galatians, no one can be long deceived.

17. Good tree . . . good fruit; . . . corrupt tree . . . evil fruit—This is an unchangeable law of nature. Fruit is the outward manifestation of the inward life. If the tree is good, its nature cannot (18) be made corrupt by expressing itself in fruit. The reverse is equally inevitable. If you want different fruit, there is but one way to get it—change the heart of the tree. Of course it is possible for a clever person to arrange clusters of grapes in an artificial fashion upon thorns, and give the appearance of a grapevine. But then they cease to be fruit and become figments.

19. Fruit trees are not meant for show but for good fruit. If they miss the purpose of their being, they become unprofitable incumbrances of the ground and may as well be burned. This is the teaching of John the Baptist over again (Matt. 3. 10).

20. Therefore—As if to reiterate, with the force of demonstration, the statement made in verse 16. The law universally applicable in nature must be true among men.

21. Not every one that saith—The Judgment Day is in the thought of Jesus. There also the false prophets will make their loud professions. Entrance into the kingdom of heaven is not by the mere recital of a creed, but on the condition that men really do the will of God. What that will is Jesus declared (in general terms) in the early part of the sermons (Matt. 5. 20), and unfolded in detail in what follows.

Lord, Lord—Implying a belief in Jesus's part in his own sovereignty. 22. Successful ministerial labors cannot be pleaded as sufficient to admit men into heaven's bliss. It is an observed fact that God does

ONLY BY LOSING DO WE GAIN

They Who Sacrifice the Flesh to Do the Will of God Will Reap to the Spirit.

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it.—Matt. x. 39.

Life, like truth, is full of paradoxes. The deepest facts do not lie on the surface. The larger insight contradicts the eyes' first vision. Such seeming paradoxes were frequently with Jesus, who pierced the outward veil of things. So He says here that the way to save life is to lose it. How can this seeming contradiction be so? Looking closely we will see that it contains the deepest wisdom for man's guidance.

We only gain pleasure by losing it. He who sets out to see pleasure will end in surfeit and pain. The voluntary who indulges his appetite dulls its natural edge. It is that we can pluck the field flowers of bodily pleasure.

Success can but be achieved by failure. All ascent to high place comes by a first descent. To wield the scepter of command we must

FIRST LEARN TO OBEY.

The great painter Messiaen tells us that he succeeded only because he was willing to suffer a thousand failures. No holiday soldier, but a real fighter, can win victory. It is true, as says Hamilton Wright, that "in the field of work he who would keep his life must live it and in thus losing his life alone does man achieve any lasting result."

Again, to gain a personal prize, we must forget self. It is only by toiling for others that we can enrich ourselves. Selfishness loses the very reward of which it grasps

sometimes the man who has only the outward semblance of the shepherd. The hollow professions, correct teaching, and wonder-working of such men may providentially count for something in establishing the kingdom, but they will have no share in the ultimate blessings of the kingdom.

23. I never knew you—Jesus here distinctly represents himself as the final judge of men. False prophets may so successfully hide their true nature as to deceive many of their fellows. But Christ will infallibly detect those that work iniquity, and they can never, in the nature of the case, abide with him.

24. A wise man—Here we have a true picture of the conditions of house-building along the water courses of Galilee. The first man, in all prudence, dug down to the bed rock and built his foundations strong. Winter's storm and fury found his position impregnable. So is the man who pays good heed to the instructions of the Sermon on the Mount and goes forth to do them.

26. A foolish man—Perhaps he built as well as the other. He may even have put up a more showy house. It did well enough in fair weather. But it collapsed in a dismal heap before the driving tempests of winter. There is no fall (27) more tragic than that of the man who has impressed the world with being a man of excellent worth, but the utter unsoundness of whose foundations has been revealed in the storms of life.

28, 29. The multitudes were astonished, because of the masterful authority which rang through the whole discourse. It was wholly unlike the teaching of the scribes, who relied entirely on tradition.

STANLEY PUNISHED NATIVES.

Explorer's Description of Africans Attack on Party.

In the following language Sir Henry M. Stanley describes an attack of natives upon his party during one of his African expeditions: "The Leviathan bears down on us with racing speed, its escorts on either flank spurring the water into foam and shooting up jets with their sharp prows; a thrilling chant from 2,000 throats rises louder and louder on our hearing. Presently the poised spears are launched and a second later my rifles respond with a rippling, crackling explosion, and the dark bodies of the canoes and paddlers rush past us."

"For a short time the savages are paralyzed, but they soon recover. They find there is death in those flaming tubes in the hands of the strangers, and with possibly greater energy than they advanced they retreat, the pursued becoming the pursuers in hot chase. My blood begins to hate the filthy, vulgar shovels who inhabit it. I pursue them upstream, up to their villages; I skimish in those streets, drive them pell-mell into the woods beyond and level their ivory temples; with frantic haste I fire their huts, and end the scene by towing their canoes into mid-stream and setting them adrift."

so narrowly, while the man who forgets himself is the one whom humanity remembers. The good Queen of Sweden who gave all her jewels to relieve the suffering, found them again in the tears of gratitude that welcomed her visit to the hospital. Frederick Harrison says of Ruskin that "He spent himself, his time, his vast fortune and his health in trying to uplift the suffering masses and to illuminate and ennoble the lives of others." And it is this nobility of self-forgetfulness that brightens the lines of Ruskin with a luster that pales the splendor of his literary genius. The deeply, truly happy man is the person who disregards his own pleasure for the sake of

MAKING OTHERS HAPPY.

This truth, we note, is verified in the sphere of religion. It was to this intent that the Master said: "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it."

What is true of this broken arc of time holds as to the full circle of eternity. The righteous man is like a torch—light to others, a waste to himself—but such loss sows for an incalculable future gain. They who have been willing to sacrifice the flesh, if need be, to do the will of God will reap to the spirit.

The Lenten vale of penitence leads to the glorious Easter sunburst. They who tread the way of the cross may seem to lose the present, but they save the life everlasting. Well for him who ponders this deep truth.

Rev. Junius B. Remensnyder.

DEADLY POISON IN COMET

SPECTRUM REVEALS PRESENCE OF CYANOGEN.

What Will the Result Be?—Opinion of Distinguished French Scientist.

Although the astronomers at the Harvard Observatory have not yet made a photographic spectrum of Halley's Comet, which is rapidly approaching the earth, a telegram received there on Monday from the Yerkes's observatory states that a spectrum of the comet obtained by the director and his assistant show very prominent cyanogen bands.

DEADLIEST POISON.

Cyanogen is, perhaps, the deadliest poison known, a grain of its potassium salt touched to the tongue being sufficient to cause instant death. In the uncombined state it is bluish gas very similar in its chemical behavior to chlorine and extremely poisonous. It is characterized by an odor similar to that of almonds.

WILL IT SNUFF OUT LIFE?

The fact that cyanogen is present in the comet has been communicated to Camille Flammarion, the distinguished French scientist, and many other astronomers, and is causing a great deal of discussion as to the probable effect on the earth should it pass through the comet's tail. Professor Flammarion is of the opinion that the cyanogen gas would impregnate the atmosphere and possibly snuff out all life on the planet.

SHOWERS OF METEORS.

Only once, so far as known, has the earth passed directly through the tail of a comet, and at that time no unusual phenomena were noticed except that there were abundant showers of meteors. Most astronomers do not agree with Flammarion, inasmuch as the tail of a comet is almost inconceivably rarified, and believe that it would be repelled by the mass of the earth as it is by the light of the sun.

The production of any soil is governed by the scarcity of any one of the principal three constituents of plant food, nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash. A soil may be rich in potash and phosphates, and if deficient in nitrogen will produce poor crops. The addition of large quantities of fertilizer containing only potash and phosphoric acid would not increase the productive capacity of such soil. So if phosphates and nitrogen are plentiful, but potash largely lacking, the result will be the same. Plants require all three of these foods in large quantities, and the successful farmer must know what his soil needs. This is not a difficult matter to determine, simply a question of a little common-sense experimenting, and does not necessitate analysis of soils.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 1910.

Taxing Land Values

That unimproved land should pay more taxation and improvements less, is a proposition that ought to commend itself to the Legislature, as it does to 270 Ontario municipalities. We are told that the law should be a terror to evil-doers, and a praise to them that do well. Our assessment law, so far as the taxation of land is concerned, is a terror to them that do well, and a comfort to them that do nothing.

Take the familiar instance of the owners of two adjoining lots. One builds a house, adding to the housing accommodation of the neighborhood, and enhancing the value of all the adjoining land. He is taxed, not only for the house, but for the land he has improved. His neighbor, who has done nothing, is taxed on the same land, and watching the value of his land increase through the enterprise and labor of his neighbors. Finally he sells out and reaps the reward of his idleness.

The Assessment Committee of the Legislature does not like to introduce the principle of local option into taxation. We think the objection is theoretical rather than practical. The only possible danger would be that the purchaser might be confused by the variety of assessments, and might purchase in ignorance of the law of a particular municipality. But the purchase of land is a deliberate act, and the inquiries made by the purchaser would surely cover so important and conspicuous a fact as the mode of taxation.

No injustice would be done if the mode of assessment were changed, as indicated, for the whole Province. But if this is regarded as too radical, those municipalities which desire the change ought to be allowed to bring it into effect. Its operation could then be observed, and others would follow the example, or not, as they deemed wise.—Toronto Star.

Milk Commission Report

At the session of the Ontario Legislature in 1909 a commission was appointed to enquire into the production, care and distribution of milk, particularly as regards the furnishing of a pure milk supply to consumers. The report of the commission has just been issued and it deals exhaustively with the subject. To give even a synopsis of it would occupy several columns, but there are a few things we may mention.

According to latest figures, there are 1,200,000 milch cows in the Province. Altogether there is said to be about \$50,000,000 invested in the dairy business in the Province, and the annual revenue is estimated at \$45,000,000.

During recent years there has been no more remarkable development in the scientific world than bacteriology, the study of germs which may be conveyed by milk, water and other carriers.

Milk sometimes conveys the germs of tuberculosis, typhoid, diphtheria and scarlet fever, and that is a strong reason why all possible precautions should be exercised.

The menace of milk is largely measured by the length of time it elapses between cow and consumer, as the germs increase very rapidly, especially in high temperatures.

Dairying, with a few exceptions, is part of mixed farming in this Province and dairy stables therefore are part of the general barn.

Very few dairymen have yet adopted the small stall which reduces contamination by 25 per cent.

Although it is carried out with varying degrees of efficiency, the wisdom of prompt chilling of the milk is generally recognized.

A great diversity was found as to cleanliness and sanitation, but there were many dairy barns in the Province that would compare favorably with any on this continent.

About 10 per cent of the places visited seemed to be totally unfit to be in the business of producing human food, but in the case of probably 60 per cent an expenditure of \$10 to \$20 and a little extra work would effect an improvement of 50 to 75 per cent.

Many barns were dark and dirty, with very little ventilation. The largest number of satisfactory premises were found in the vicinity of Ottawa, where considerable attention has been paid to the subject.

G. G. Pawlow, Chief Instructor for Eastern Ontario, says a million can be added to the revenue of the dairymen by a little more attention to sanitation and other points.

J. A. Ruddick, Dairy Commissioner at Ottawa, submits the results of experiments to show that the common practice of aeration is all wrong and that milk makes much better cheese when exposed to the air to the minimum.

Prof. Dean of the Ontario Agricultural College makes suggestions which he declares mean more profits to those engaged in the dairy business.

Frank Hens, Chief Dairy Instructor for Western Ontario, urges clean, sanitary businesslike methods as being conducive to greater profits.

Nearly one half of the exports of the United States go to British Territory.

When the Federal and Provincial Governments have completed their probe into the increased cost of living, it will probably disclose three things: First, an excess of people in cities and towns compared with those on the land, which therefore does not produce food fast enough for the mouths that are to fill; second, a complicated and costly system of distributing food products to the people, by dealers, big and little; third, that considerable capital is invested in the dairy business, and the farmer receives no more than a fair return for his products.

By-law No. --

A By-law to authorize the sum of \$10,000 to be raised on the credit of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, for the purpose of constructing Electric Light works in the said Village, including equipping an Electric Light plant, and acquiring and equipping therefor a sub-station in the said Village.

Passed this day of 1910.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling deems it advisable, and in the interests of the Corporation to construct Electric Light works, in and for the said Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling has resolved to raise by way of loan the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the principal of the debt to be created by the said loan shall be repaid by the said Corporation in twenty years during the currency of which the said Corporation shall be liable to pay interest on the said loan, and that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in any year shall be equal as nearly as may be to what is payable for principal and interest in each of the other years of the said period of twenty years;

AND WHEREAS it will require the sum of \$802.42 to be raised annually for twenty years by special rate on the whole rateable property of the Village of Stirling, to discharge the said loan, and to pay the interest thereon, due on the said debt, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, as the said installments and interest become respectively payable under this By-law;

AND WHEREAS for the purpose aforesaid By-law No. 252 of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling was passed, authorizing the issue of debentures for a similar amount;

AND WHEREAS the said By-law, owing to certain errors and omissions has been found to be illegal, and the debentures issued or issued thereunder to be unenforceable, and it is necessary that the said By-law No. 252 should be repealed, and the said debentures (if any) issued under the authority thereof should be destroyed;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the whole rateable property of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, according to the last revised assessment roll, namely for the year 1909, was three hundred and one thousand, eight hundred and seventy-four dollars;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the said existing debenture debt of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling is \$17,000.00, of which, either for principal or interest, is in arrear, and the amount of the said debentures is \$17,000.00;

AND WHEREAS the estimates of the intended expenditure of the money to be raised under this By-law is set forth in Schedule "A" hereto annexed.

THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling enacts as follows:

(1) THAT By-law No. 252 of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, entitled "A By-law to authorize the issue of debentures by the Corporation of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, for the purpose of purchasing, establishing and equipping an Electric Light plant and sub-station in said Village, and for such other public purposes as the Council may decide upon," is, and is hereby repealed, and the Reeve and Treasurer of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling are hereby authorized and directed to cancel and destroy any and all debentures which may have been issued or executed under or by virtue of the said By-law No. 252, which is hereby repealed.

(2) THAT it shall be lawful for the Corporation of the Village of Stirling to raise by way of loan upon the security of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, that may be willing to advance the same, upon the credit of such debentures, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$10,000, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling for the purpose, and with the object above recited, and for no other purpose whatever.

(3) THAT for the purpose of the said loan the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling shall cause to be issued, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, that may be willing to advance the same, upon the credit of such debentures, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$10,000, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Corporation of the Village of Stirling for the purpose, and with the object above recited, and for no other purpose whatever.

(4) THAT the said loan of \$10,000 shall be repayable in twenty consecutive annual installments during the currency of twenty years from the day hereinafter mentioned for this By-law to take effect, the first of such installments shall be paid on the first day of December, 1910, and such installments shall be of such amounts that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in any year shall be equal as nearly as may be to what is payable for principal and interest during each of the other years of the said period of twenty years, and the said debentures shall be issued for the amounts, and shall bear interest at five per cent. per annum from the date thereof.

(5) THAT the principal money secured by the said debentures, shall be made payable in the current money of the Dominion of Canada, and the same with the interest accruing thereon shall be deposited in the United Empire Bank in the Village of Stirling.

(6) THAT the said debentures shall be made payable on the first day of December in each year in which they are respectively payable, and the interest thereon shall be payable on the said day in each year, in, from and after the year 1910.

(7) THAT the said debentures shall be issued and negotiated as and their amounts respectively determined by and under the superintendence of the Reeve and Treasurer of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling, and according to the provisions of this By-law.

(8) THAT for the purpose of providing a fund for the payment of the said debentures as they respectively become due, and the interest thereon as aforesaid, there shall be levied and collected in each and every year during the said period of twenty years, the sum of \$802.42, which sum shall be levied and

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(b) Prevents or obstructs the sending, conveyance or delivery of any communication by any such telegraph, telephone or fire-alarm, or the transmission of electricity for any such electric light, or for any such purpose as aforesaid.

2—Any one who wilfully by any overt act, attempts to commit any such offence, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, or to three months' imprisonment, with or without hard labour.—R. S. C. c. 168, ss. 40 and 41.

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collected in each and every year during the currency of the said debenture or debentures, by an annual special rate in the dollar sufficient therefor, upon all the rateable property of the said Municipality of the Village of Stirling, over and above, and in addition to all other rates whatsoever, which said special rate shall be duly imposed, levied and collected in each and every year for the said period of twenty years, upon the whole rateable property of the said Municipality, and the said annual rate shall begin from the date the said debentures are hereby authorized to be issued.

(9) THAT the said special rate shall be inserted on the Collector's Rolls for the said Village in each year for the said twenty years, and shall be payable and collected by him in the same way as other rates upon the said Village, and the sum of \$10,000, when obtained shall be applied for the purpose above specified, and according to the true intent and meaning of this By-law, and for no other purpose whatever.

(11) This By-law shall take effect on, from and after the 23rd day of March, 1910.

(12) The votes of the electors of the said Village of Stirling shall be taken on this By-law at the following times and places, that is to say, on Monday, the 21st day of March next, commencing at the hour of eight o'clock in the forenoon, and continuing until five o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, by the following Deputy Returning Officer: Charles J. Boldrick, at the Town Hall in the Village of Stirling.

(13) On Monday, the Fourteenth day of March, 1910, the Reeve of the said Village of Stirling shall attend at the Council Chamber at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to appoint persons to attend at the polling places aforesaid, and at the final summing up of votes by the Clerk on behalf of the persons interested in, or promoting, or opposing the passing of this By-law, respectively.

(14) The Clerk of the Council of the said Corporation of the Village of Stirling, shall attend at his office in the Town Hall in the said Village of Stirling, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of the Twenty-second day of March, 1910, to sum up the number of votes for and against this By-law.

Dated at the Town Hall in the Village of Stirling, this day of

Clerk. Reeve.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of a proposed By-law which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the Council of the Municipality of the Village of Stirling (in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained therefor) after one month from the first publication in the Stirling News-Argus, the date of which first publication was the Seventeenth day of February, 1910, and that the votes of the electors of the said Municipality will be taken thereon on the day, and at the hours and places therein fixed.

G. G. THRASHER, Clerk.

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Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, Chap. 129, and others having claims against the estate of the late Jerome Conley, Sr., who died on about the eighth day of January, A.D. 1910, are required on or before the 24th day of February, A.D. 1910, to send by post, prepaid or to deliver to J. T. Bolshaw, the Executor of the last will and testament of Jerome Conley, Sr., at the village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, Stirling post office, or his Solicitor as hereunder at Stirling post office, their claims, statements of their accounts and the nature of their securities, if any, held by them verified by affidavit.

And further notice is given that after such last mentioned date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only for the claims of which he shall have notice, and that the Executor will not be liable for such assets or any part thereof to any person or persons, of whose claim notice shall not have been received.

And notice is further given that all persons indebted to the said deceased must pay the amount of their indebtedness to the said Executor, or his Solicitor hereunder, forthwith.

G. G. THRASHER, Solicitor for Executor.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Marjorie Melkjohn is visiting friends in Toronto.

Miss C. Stevens of Campbellford is the guest of Mrs. Chas. Scott.

Miss Scott of Nanapanee spent a few days with her sister, Miss C. Scott.

Mrs. J. B. Archer of St. Catharines is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wheeler, and other friends.

Mr. Leslie Kennedy of Picton, and Miss May Kennedy, who is teaching near Madoc, spent Sunday at home.

W. R. Howson, Grand Superintendent of Prince Edward District Royal Arch Masons, is attending the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Canada in Toronto this week.

County of Hastings Examinations, 1910

The Examinations for Entrance to High School will be held on June 22, 23, and 24 at Belleville, Trenton, Deseronto, Madoc, Stirling, Tweed, Marmora and Bancroft. Each teacher having candidates for this examination must notify his or her Inspector ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, of the number of candidates and the place at which each candidate wishes to write. Before the date of the Entrance Examination each teacher having candidates will send to his or her Inspector a copy of the time table in actual use so far as it affects these candidates, together with copies of the question papers in the various subjects as used in their last written test examination.

The Uniform Promotion Examinations will be held on the same dates in the various Public Schools of the County and each teacher will make application to his or her Inspector ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, for the number of papers which they will require for each of the following classes, viz.: First to Second, Second to Third, Third to Fourth. Applications must be made in time. A sufficient number of papers should be asked for. Applications to write at the Departmental Examinations, other than the "Entrance," together with the proper fee, must be in the hands of the Public School Inspector concerned ON OR BEFORE MAY 24.

W. MACKINTOSH, Madoc, Inspector Centre Hastings.

H. J. CLARKE, B.A., Belleville, Inspector South Hastings, Belleville and Trenton.

E. B. INGLIS, B.A., Trenton, Inspector North Hastings.

Mr. John C. Eaton, manager of the T. Eaton Co., has offered to the surgical wings of the new hospital at Toronto as a memorial to his father, the late Timothy Eaton, at a cost of a quarter of a million dollars.

A vast emigration of Jews from Russia to England and Canada is predicted by the "Jewish Chronicle" in consequence of a circular issued by Premier Stolypin. The central police authorities of St. Petersburg are accused of having straitened the instructions conveyed in this circular beyond their original interpretation. They announce that all Jews who have lost their privileges to reside outside the pale of settlement since the issuance of the circular must either find residence within the pale or be banished from the country. There are 11,000 Jews at Kieff alone awaiting their fate. A large number have already been exiled, and many of those remaining are expecting banishment hourly.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains en route Stirling station as follows: GOING WEST. Passenger, 10.27 a.m. Mail & Ex., 4.03 a.m. Passenger, 4.45 p.m. Mail & Ex., 3.41 p.m. GOING EAST. Passenger, 10.27 a.m. Mail & Ex., 4.03 a.m. Passenger, 4.45 p.m. Mail & Ex., 3.41 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 1910.

LOCAL MATTERS.

An Old Boy's Reunion will be held in Belleville in July next.

The free show that appeared in the Opera House here on Tuesday evening drew a very good crowd, and the salesman who appeared between acts did an excellent business until a late hour.

Stirling senior hockey team played in Marmora on Monday evening and were defeated by a score of 8-2. At the return game here last night the home team won by 8-6. The score at half time was 3-3.

On Friday evening last the Cadet Corps of Stirling High and Public School, with the Boy Scouts and Council, presented Mr. R. H. Pearce with a very fine field glass. Mr. Pearce had taken a great interest in these organizations and had been their instructor for some time.

The Auxiliary of the W. M. S. of the Methodist church will hold their annual open meeting on Monday evening, Feb. 22nd, in the Sunday School room. An interesting program is being prepared, and refreshments will be served. The public are cordially invited. Admission 15c. and 10c.

Mr. Rodburn of Belleville on his way to this village on Monday evening last met with some young men of the village, when an altercation ensued which resulted in five charges being laid against him. Two of these charges were tried on Tuesday morning and times and costs amounting to about \$25 were imposed. The other three charges will be tried later.

The large transformer for the electric substation arrived a few days ago, and all the machinery is being rapidly put in place under the supervision of Mr. Chas. Peeling, electrical engineer. It is expected that everything will be ready to turn on the lights in about a week. The substation is made perfectly fireproof, a wise precaution of the village Council.

A quiet wedding ceremony was performed on Thursday evening, Feb. 10th at Young Methodist church, Winnipeg, when the Rev. G. K. B. Adams united in marriage Mary Alice Bowen to Walter Percival Rodgers. The bride was gown in beautiful heavy white lace, and wore the groom's gift, a lovely twin diamond ring. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers will reside at 204 Kenmore Block, Broadway.

The Campbellford Herald complains of the poor mail arrangements in Seymour township and places in the vicinity of Campbellford. It mentions that a letter could be delivered in Winnipeg as soon as at Stanwood, only seven miles distant, and that if from sickness or other causes publication should be delayed an hour or two, it causes a delay of two or three days in the delivery of mails only a few miles distant. We have the same complaint to make here. If from unavoidable causes we happen to be an hour or two late, and do not catch the Thursday mail, papers are not delivered at post offices not ten miles distant before Monday. This matter should be remedied, and the post office department should give it their attention.

The Lecture-Concert given in the Opera House on Monday evening under the auspices of the Literary Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was a decided success in every way except in the size of the audience. According to those who are in a position to judge, this was one of the best programs heard in Stirling for a long time. Rev. A. Logan Geggie of Toronto, the lecturer of the evening, is not a novice as a public speaker. His subject being "The Rose, the Thistle and the Shamrock," he soon demonstrated the fact that he was master of the subject. Mr. Geggie is a believer in the gospel of cheerfulness and does not believe that a good laugh will hurt anybody. His witisms, however, were not without point and many were thrusts of good advice and sound sense. Mr. Geggie said he enjoyed preaching more than lecturing, and if they wanted to hear him at his best to come up to Parkdale Presbyterian Church when in Toronto. Mr. Ernest Hazeldine, tenor vocalist of Toronto, delighted the audience with his songs. Possessing as he does a voice of unusual merit, with a seemingly natural gift of interpretation, he made some of the old songs live with new life. Mr. Hazeldine has already won for himself a high reputation, not only in Canada, but in England, and his singing in Stirling proved his right to that distinction. If Mr. Geggie or Mr. Hazeldine ever appear again on a public platform in Stirling we feel sure a larger audience will greet them.

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Concert by "Infant Prodigies"

The "Infant Prodigies," F. A. Ray and Muriel K. MacFadden, will give a grand concert in the Opera House on the evening of March 2nd, under the auspices of the Ladies' Union of the Methodist church. Read what the Toronto Star of Feb. 9th says about them: "Fifteen hundred people spent a delightful time at Carlton St. Methodist church last night, when a concert was given by the musical prodigies, F. A. Ray and Muriel K. MacFadden, Toronto's talented piano-vocal artists. That two children, neither one of whom is over eleven years of age, should entertain a large audience for over two hours, entirely unassisted, and win encore after encore, seems almost incredible, and yet that was what the MacFadden children did last night."

Wellman's Women's Institute

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Feb. 17th, at the home of Mrs. Chas. Dracup. The meeting opened with singing of "The Maple Leaf," led by Mrs. Blake Totton. After the reading of the minutes by the Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Dracup, vice-president, presided.

Duets were given by the Misses Fletcher, and Mrs. Blake Totton and Mrs. W. W. Dracup.

The topic, "Opportunities for Girls," was given by Mrs. (Rev.) Clarke. It was a fine paper, and the subject was thoroughly covered, showing that country girls have opportunities as well as city girls, and their living in the country was not a waste of time, as some would think. We hope to have another paper from Mrs. Clarke in the near future.

Mrs. E. Todd gave a reading from Scott.

There were seventeen present, and forty-nine cents collection for the Sick Children's Hospital.

Mrs. Allen of Queensboro, District Secretary, expects to be present at the next meeting, which will be held at the home of Miss Emma Ralmine on March 17th. Visitors welcome.

Presentation and Address

On Friday evening, Feb. 19th about seventy-five friends and neighbors assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mills and presented the family with a beautiful china cabinet and sideboard and an address, to which both Mr. and Mrs. Mills made suitable replies. The remainder of the evening was spent in speeches and music. Mr. Perry gave a number of selections on the auto-harp and the piano, with comic songs, and Mr. E. Brooks gave a recitation which was very much enjoyed by all. W. J. Parks occupied the chair. After the program was ended refreshments were served by the ladies and after ample justice was done to the well filled baskets the evening came to a close by singing "God be with you till we meet again." All wish Mr. and Mrs. Mills and family every success in their new home.

Following is the address:

To Mr. and Mrs. Mills and Family—

Being aware that you are about to take your departure from among us, we, a few of your friends, have assembled to tender to you our regards, and to give expression to the kindly feelings which are entertained toward you by your many friends and neighbors. To say that your removal from among us will be felt as an actual loss would be a mild way of stating the extent of your residence among us, covering a quarter of a century, we have had an opportunity to understand your sterling worth as neighbors. Whenever sickness or calamity befel us we have always found you ready, dispensing both sympathy and assistance, and showing that good Samaritan spirit, whenever occasion presented. Such acts of kindness we can never forget, and rest assured that they will be cherished until the limit of life. As a man we have always found you to be of sterling character, honest and straight-forward, always standing up for what you believed to be right, and executing every duty which devolved upon you with a most exacting detail. We also cannot overlook your high standing in the Church of God and your work in the Sunday School as teacher. We trust that you will be spared to many years of usefulness in the neighborhood to which you are going. We also cannot overlook the high and noble qualities of Mrs. Mills, a God-fearing woman, always laboring in the interests and for the upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom. She will certainly be very much missed among us. And now to give you some evidence of the esteem in which you are held, we bring herewith to present you with china cabinet and sideboard, and we trust that you will not consider this gift simply for its value, but as a remembrance of your friends and neighbors. We wish you every success in your new home, and tender to you the compliments of the season. Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors,

Ross Anderson, J. S. Morton, Frank Hubel.

Spring Brook

Peter Smith, who had been employed in the Spring Brook cheese factory for the past three or four years, was buried last Saturday. He had been ill for about two weeks. He leaves a widow and one child about six weeks old.

Mr. Wm. Clarke, formerly of this place, now of Manitoba, with his wife, are visiting old friends.

Ross McConnell is home again from the West. While out there he had a severe attack of appendicitis. He was successfully operated on and his recovery is fully assured.

A number of town lots in the prospective city of Melville, Man., have been bought by some of our speculative citizens in the belief that it will be the starting point of the Hudson's Bay railway—but the road has not started from there yet.

The revival services, after five weeks, are yet going on. A goodly number have signified their intention of leading the better life.

Our young people are forming a literary society. This is right. A Bacon or a Shakespeare may develop.

If troubled with indigestion, constipation, or a flatulent, gas-bilious, or Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets a trial will be pleased with the result. These tablets invigorate the stomach and liver and strengthen the digestion. Sold by all dealers.

On My Mother's Picture

A SONNET

What is this picture? 'Tis a lyre whose strings recall to me the far off purple heath, Or murmurs in your cottage high to Leith.

Like dreamy chime of distant Sabbath bell, It wakes the echoes of a long farewell. It is a flame that shakes the mother's breath, A tear that falls from love that knows no death.

Great God! 'Tis like a rolling funeral knell. Oh precious picture! let my burning brow Be pressed against the cooling, senseless glass, O heaven, what priceless memories backward flow.

Spoken Mother speak, my lips your brow they press, Heaven's near, I know her presence with me now. Once more I feel the balm of mother's kiss, G. E. Ross.

The Rev. Robert Emberson, for ten years a Methodist missionary in Japan died in Toronto on Thursday last.

Card of Thanks

To Stirling Lodge No. 314, A. O. U. W. I desire to acknowledge the receipt of cheque for \$200, being payment for 12th beneficiary certificate carried by my late husband, Oscar Merrick. Thanking you, and trusting the A. O. U. W. will continue to prosper in their good work, I am respectfully yours,

MARGARET A. MERRICK. Stirling, Feb. 14, 1910.

Croup positively stopped in 20 minutes with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Sold by J. S. Morton.

Auction Sales

FRIDAY, FEB. 25th—On lot 17, concession 8, Rawdon, the farm stock and implements belonging to Mr. George Cotton. Sale at one o'clock. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

MONDAY, FEB. 22nd—On lot 11, con. 7, Rawdon, the farm stock and implements belonging to Mr. Alex. MacDonnell. Sale at one o'clock sharp. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1st—On lot 16, con. 7, Rawdon, the farm stock and implements belonging to Mr. W. S. Dracup. Sale at 10 o'clock a.m. Lunch served at noon. Everything sold without reserve. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3rd—On lot 19, con. 3, Rawdon, the farm stock and implements belonging to James Landon & Son. Sale at 12.30 sharp. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

Deaths

CHAMBERS—In Sidney on Feb. 22, Ellen V. Chambers, widow of the late Robert Chambers, aged 83 years.

For Sale

Span of Colts coming four years old. Apply to AMOS BARNUM, Sarginson P. O.

For Sale

A quantity of First Class Hay, about two miles east of Stirling. 24-2 W. S. BARKER.

A.O.U.W. Notice

Members of Stirling Lodge No. 314, A. O. U. W., are hereby requested to be in attendance at the Lodge Room, Albert Hall, on Monday evening, March 7th, at 8 o'clock to welcome Grand Organizer Dr. J. H. Janghaus and District Organizer George Ray. As this is an open meeting members are urged to bring their friends, ladies and gentlemen, with them. An interesting time may be expected.

W. W. VANDERVOORT, M.W. J. D. BISSONNETTE, Recorder.

In the matter of JAMES BUCHANAN

of the Village of Stirling, in the County of Hastings, General Merchant, Insolvent.

The Insolvent has made an assignment to me for the benefit of Creditors under R. S. O. 1897, Chapter 147. A meeting of Creditors will be held at my office, No. 18 Wellington St. East, Toronto, on Monday the 22nd day of February, 1910, at the hour of 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of Inspectors, the fixing of the amount of their remuneration, and giving directions with reference to the disposal of the estate. All persons claiming to rank upon the estate of the insolvent must file their claims with me on or before the 19th day of March, 1910, after which date I will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard to those claims only of which I shall then have had notice.

HENRY BARBER, Trustee. Dated at Toronto, February 18, 1910.

For Sale

A Twentieth Century Manure Spreader, or will exchange for a horse.

F. W. SCOTT, 23-2 Lot 18, Con. 9, Sidney.

Farm to Let

90 Acres, parts Lots 21, 22, Concession 8, Murray township. Good buildings, well watered, soil—clay loam, 75 bearing fruit trees, 7 acres full grain, meadow and pasture with balance fall plowed.

GEORGE F. COLE, Wooler P.O.

Administratrix

Notice to Creditors

Re Gilbert Orser Estate

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Statute in that behalf, that all persons having claims against the estate of Gilbert Orser, late of the township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Yeoman, deceased, who died on or about the 20th day of January, A.D. 1910, are required to send to G. A. Payne, Campbellford, Solicitor for G. A. Payne, Administratrix of the estate of the said Gilbert Orser, full particulars in writing of their claims, duly verified, on or before the 21st day of March, A.D. 1910, after which date the said Administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, regard being had only to the claims of which the said Administratrix shall then have had notice. Dated this 12th day of February, A.D. 1910.

G. A. PAYNE, Campbellford, Solicitor for Administratrix.

New Masonic Hall

Is now available for social and other engagements. For particulars of rental, etc., see DR. WALT.

ANDERSON'S STORE NEWS

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The Best English Print, 32 inches wide, 12½c. Embroideries, from 5c. to 75c. per yard. Laces, from 2c. to \$1.25 per yard.

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Our greatly reduced prices are clearing out our Winter Footwear. Still there are bargains, and we will continue to

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Men's Felt Boots, \$1.75 for \$1.25

" " Felt soles, 2.75 " 2.00

" " Oil Tan Moccasins, 3.00 " 2.00

" " Deerskin, 1.50 " 1.00

" " Long Felt Boots, 3.50 " 2.75

Ladies Felt Boots, 1.50 " 1.00

" " " 1.75 " 1.35

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BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENT

A FINE GOSPEL TEXT CALENDAR FOR 1910

This Calendar contains thirteen large sheets beautifully printed in three colors. Each sheet contains a design of an open Bible with a Bible text for each day of the month, and a calendar in large figures for the month at the lower end of the sheet.

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Special prices in lots of dozen or more. Agents are making money selling them. Big reduction to agents. Send for terms at once.

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We want an honest man or boy in each town and city to act as agent for us. We pay a liberal commission. Agents make good wages selling these goods. Send for agents' prices to

H. S. HALLMAN, 23 QUEEN ST

TWO DEAD, MANY INJURED

Serious Fire in the Gurney-Tilden Stove Works at Hamilton.

A despatch from Hamilton, Ont., says: Caused, it is presumed, by an electric spark igniting some chemicals, the room is on the ground floor, and the men in that department had to do some quick stepping to reach safety. Inside of one minute the entire room was enveloped in a cloud of pungent smoke, which escaped to the upper floors via the elevator shaft and a flight of steps.

The grinding room on the third floor got most of the smoke. It was absolutely impossible to inhale the vapor and live, and the seven men and two boys who worked in the grinding room made quick dashes to liberty. The majority of them rushed to the windows, which they broke. S. Hobson and several others jumped and landed in the life-saving net held by the firemen. Others went down a ladder. Bawden and McCully tried to escape by staggering into a different part of the building. That was the last of them alive. Half an hour later their bodies were recovered by Fire Chief TenEyck and some of his men only a few feet outside the door of the room from which they had tried to escape. They had been overcome by the smoke and were carried downstairs, where Dr. James Anderson, aided by some firemen, with their first-aid-to-the-injured outfits, worked long to restore them. Their efforts were fruitless, as the two unfortunate men were evidently dead before they were found.

The dead are:— Henry Bawden, foreman grinding-room; Albert McCully, helper in stove mounting-room. The more seriously injured are:— Fred Wilds, hand and arms burned; S. Hobson, wrist broken; Percy Woodbridge, overcome by smoke.

To over 70 men caught in the upper stories the only safe mode of escape was the greasy elevator cables, down which they swarmed, hand over hand, by dozens. Others could not maintain their hold and slid down like dead weights, landing on the head of the other men at the foot of the shaft. Bawden and McCully endeavored to reach another part of the building, but were overcome by the smoke, and were discovered, lying dead, half an hour later.

The exact cause of the fire has not been ascertained, but the fire department authorities believe that the electric wires, probably influenced by the fall of snow, became crossed and caused a spark. The location of the spark was the lac-

MISS MACPHERSON DEAD.

The Charge Against Robert Henderson Will be Murder.

A despatch from Peterboro' says: Miss Martha Macpherson, who, with her sister, was attacked in their little home in the township of Asphodel, three miles east of the village of Norwood, on January 27th, died on Sunday, and a charge of murder will likely be preferred against her alleged assailant, Robert Henderson, who is in jail here awaiting trial. The attack on the two women was made, it is alleged, by Henderson, who asked at the house for something to eat. He was told to cut some wood and went to the shed, but soon returned, and, it is claimed, used the axe on the two women. Miss Martha Macpherson since the alleged assault had been in a critical condition, and physicians were constantly in attendance. Robert Henderson, who is alleged to have been responsible for the woman's death, was committed for trial on the charge of wounding with intent to kill. Henderson was a resident of Toronto for a short time.

ADmits HE IS COOK.

Explorer First Refused to Recognize His Former Companion.

A despatch from Santiago, Chile, says: Dr. Frederick A. Cook on Friday admitted his identity. He visited his old comrade, the Belgian engineer Bysselsberghe, and the two were together for some hours. The two men were members of the Belgian Antarctic expedition of 1897-98, and the engineer recognized Cook when they were fellow-passengers on the steamer from Valdivia. Until now, however, Cook had refused to recognize his former companion.

CANADA IN SECOND PLACE.

High Among Leading Countries in Increase of Trade.

A despatch from London says: According to the official return, Canada takes second place among the leading countries of the world in its percentage of increase in trade during the last decade.

MILLION DOLLARS A MONTH

Increase in the Customs Revenue During Last Fiscal Year.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Canada's trade for January totaled \$51,500,102, an increase of \$12,222,027, or nearly thirty per cent, over the corresponding month of last year, and constituting a record for the month. For the first ten months of the present fiscal year the total trade has been \$509,959,750, an increase of \$95,610,931, or about twenty per cent. The imports last month totaled \$30,255,352, an increase of \$7,140,225 over January 1900. Exports of domestic products totaled \$20,244,750, an increase of \$4,571,034. For the ten months im-

ports have totalled \$302,050,207, an increase of \$60,937,445. Exports of domestic products for the ten months totalled \$241,375,219, an increase of \$31,404,705. Of this increase, about \$10,000,000 was in exports of agricultural products, and seven and a half millions in exports of the forest. Exports of manufactures show an increase of nearly two millions. The customs revenue for the month was \$4,603,402, an increase of \$944,037. For ten months the customs revenue has been \$43,682,469, an increase of \$10,361,341, or a little over a million a month.

RIOTS IN PHILADELPHIA.

Disorders Accompanies Strike of Street Car Men.

A despatch from Philadelphia, Pa., says: Rioting in every section of this city followed the attempt of the Philadelphia Transit Company to operate its lines here on Sunday. Passengers and crews were driven from the cars by infuriated mobs of strike sympathizers and in nearly a score of instances the abandoned cars were burned or otherwise destroyed. At nightfall every car was withdrawn from service. Stern measures were adopted by the police to quell the disorders and nearly 500 persons were arrested, charged with inciting to riot. Two women were shot by stray bullets, and many people were removed to hospitals.

P. E. I. IS PROSPERING.

Department of Agriculture Reports Good Year.

A despatch from Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, says: The public accounts presented in the legislature on Friday show the annual ordinary expenditure to be \$365,000; capital, \$25,000; ordinary revenue, \$275,000; total liabilities, \$563,000. The biggest item of expenditure was \$129,000, for education. The department of agriculture reported the year as exceptionally prosperous from an agricultural standpoint. The value of the field crops was over \$9,000,000. The dairy industry increased 30 per cent. over 1908.

RESCUING CHILDREN.

Several Narrow Escapes at a Fire in Ottawa.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Several inmates of an Italian bakery on Somerset street had a narrow escape when the premises were destroyed by fire on Sunday evening. The family of D. Sciarroni, consisting of six children, were in bed when the fire started. They were rescued through a smashed window and handed down to helpers. Mrs. Sciarroni jumped, and no one was injured. The fire itself did \$1,500 damage.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

The New Brunswick Legislature was opened on Thursday.

Fifty additional men are wanted for the Toronto police force.

Michigan Central engineers have been given an increase in pay.

Mr. J. C. Eaton has given \$250,000 to the new Toronto Hospital.

A company has been formed at Niagara Falls to build a railway to Niagara-on-the-Lake.

A company has been formed at Montreal to construct a boulevard ten miles long to Bout de L'Île.

A man was seen to deliberately shoot at a T. & N. O. Railway boarding car at Cobalt, on Friday.

Premier Whitney says the Government would take drastic steps to stop reckless driving of automobiles.

Mrs. H. St. George Baldwin fell on the sidewalk, at Toronto, bursting a blood vessel and dying shortly afterwards.

John Millen was sentenced at Niagara Falls to three years in penitentiary, on Thursday, for robbing a jewellery store.

The Canadian bank statement for January shows savings deposits at over \$508,000,000 and total deposits in Canada of \$746,631,000.

One of the first persons to attempt to get mail out of the Winnipeg postoffice since the new Sunday closing rule went into effect was a local minister who had forgotten to call for his Sunday school literature on Saturday.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London Daily Chronicle calls the Germano-Canadian agreement a sensible arrangement.

Deputy Sheriffs fired on a mob of would-be lynchers at Cairo, Ill., on Friday, killing one and wounding three.

The Chairman of the British Labor party has intimated that the Government need expect no Labor support unless the veto question is pressed to an issue without delay.

UNITED STATES.

Five men were killed in an explosion in a gunpowder plant in California.

A ten-year-old boy was attacked by two great eagles while on his way home from school at Laporte, Pa.

GENERAL.

Soldiers with fixed bayonets attacked rioters in the Prussian town of Neuenmünster.

The new Spanish Premier has declined to resign in spite of the protests of certain members of his party.

ELEPHANTS RUN AMUCK.

Tossed Barrels About in a Winery, but Were Finally Cornered.

A despatch from San Francisco says: Three elephants owned by a showman broke away from a street parade on Thursday afternoon, and for 30 blocks ran amuck. With crowds scattering in pursuit, the elephants took to the sidewalks, and many persons had narrow escapes from being trampled on. Swerving into a butcher shop, the big beasts paused long enough to half wreck the place, then headed for a winery, where they tossed barrels and kegs about. They were finally cornered in a viaduct lot.

MEDAL FOR REYNOLDS?

Name of Conductor in Webbwood Wreck Sent to London.

A despatch from Ottawa says: In the Senate on Wednesday Sir Richard Cartwright said that the Secretary of State had forwarded to the Imperial authorities details of Conductor Reynolds's gallant conduct at the Spanish River railway wreck. As to Mrs. Lindell, while her courage, coolness and useful conduct on that occasion were recognized, it was doubtful if her case came within the scope of the regulations governing the distribution of the Edward or the Albert medals. However, that would be investigated.

WON'T DAM NIAGARA.

Decision of Waterways Commission is Against the Proposal.

A despatch from Buffalo says: The Express says: The proposal to dam Niagara River to raise the water level of the great lakes is disapproved by the international waterways commission in its report submitted to the secretary of war at Washington, and the minister of public works at Ottawa. The project has been under consideration for about ten years.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent, patents, \$4.25 to \$4.30 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and \$4.20 to \$4.25 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20 to \$5.30, and strong bakers', \$5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern \$1.13, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern at \$1.11, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 mixed red Winter or white, \$1.07½ to \$1.03½ outside.

Barley—No. 2, 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 39 to 40c outside, and 42 to 42½c on track, Toronto. Canada West oats, 48c for No. 2, and 42c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—No. 2 for shipment, 82c outside.

Rye—No. 2, 68c outside.

Buckwheat—53 to 54c outside for No. 2.

Corn—Kiln-dried No. 3 American 74c, and No. 3 yellow, selected, 71c, Toronto freights. Canadian corn, 66 to 67c, Toronto freights. Canadian corn, 66 to 67c, Toronto freights.

Bran—\$22.50 in bags, Toronto, and shorts at \$24, in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—\$1.50 to \$2 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, \$1.55 to \$1.95, and small lots at \$2.10 to \$2.20 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, dozen, \$2 to \$2.50; extracted, 10½ to 11c per lb.

Baled hay—No. 1 timothy \$13.50 to \$14, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$12.50 on track, Toronto.

Baled Straw—\$7.50 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—47 to 50c per bag on track, Toronto.

Poultry—Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowl, 10 to 11c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 20 to 21c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27 to 28c, and solids, 24 to 25c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 30 to 32c per dozen, and storage, 25c per dozen.

Cheese—12½c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon, long clear, 14½ to 14¾c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, \$27; short cut, \$28.50 to \$29.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15½c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14 to 14½c; shoulders, 13 to 13½c; breakfast bacon, 17 to 17½c; backs, 15½ to 16c.

LARD—TIERCES, 15½c; tubs, 15¾c; pails, 16c.

BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 22.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 45½ to 46c; No. 3, 44½ to 45c; Ontario No. 2 white, 43½ to 44c; Ontario No. 3 white, 42½ to 43c; Ontario No. 4 white, 41½ to 42c. Barley—No. 2, 59½ to 60c; No. 3, 58½c; No. 4, 56½c; feed barley, 54½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.80; do., seconds, \$5.80; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, \$5.30, Winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60; Manitoba strong bakers, \$5.10; straight rollers, \$5.10 to \$5.25; straight rollers, in bags, \$2.40 to \$2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, \$22.50 to \$23; Ontario middlings, \$22.50 to \$24; Manitoba bran, \$22.00; Manitoba shorts, \$23.00; pure grain mouille, \$31 to \$33; mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29. Cheese—September and October make, 12 to 12½c, and easterns at 11½ to 12c. Butter—choicest creamery, 26 to 26½c, and fresh receipts at 24½ to 25½c. Eggs—Strictly new laid, 33c per dozen; selected cold storage stock, 28 to 30c; No. 1 candled at 24 to 25c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, Feb. 22.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.18 to \$1.19; No. 2 Northern, \$1.17 to \$1.17½; May, \$1.14½. Rye—No. 1, 81c. Corn—May, 68½c. Barley—Standard, 71½ to 72c.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—Wheat—Cash, No. 2 red, \$1.24 to \$1.25; No. 3 red, \$1.18 to \$1.21; No. 2 hard, \$1.13½ to \$1.14½; No. 3 hard, \$1.12½ to \$1.13½; No. 1 Northern, \$1.16½ to \$1.17½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.14½ to \$1.15½; No. 3 Spring, \$1.12½ to \$1.14; No. 3, 60c; No. 2 yellow, 60c; No. 2 white, 60c; No. 3 white, 64 to 64½c; No. 3 yellow, 63½ to 64c; No. 4, 59½ to 60c; No. 4 white, 60½ to 61½c; No. 4 yellow, 60½ to 62c. Oats—No. 2, 49c; No. 2 white,

INCREASED COST OF LIVING

Results of Special Investigations Carried Out by the Government.

A despatch from Ottawa says: With the current issue of The Labor Gazette the department begins the publication of the results of the special investigation, which has been in progress for some months, into the increase during the past few years in the cost of living. In subsequent issues there will be given statistical reviews of the trend of wholesale and retail prices during the past twenty years in Canada, with comparisons as to the trend of prices in other countries. The investigation will cover some 325 commodities in general use. This month a statistical statement is given as to the wholesale prices of animals and meats from 1890 to 1909. Averaging the prices for all

meats, the statement shows that during the year 1909 wholesale prices were approximately 48 per cent. higher than during the ten-year period from 1890 to 1899, and that, compared with 1906, they were fully 77 per cent. higher. The issue also contains a table showing the prices of thirty-four commodities which enter into cost of living at the more important centres of population throughout Canada. It is the intention of the department to publish quotations for a similar list of commodities from month to month in The Labor Gazette, thus making it possible to ascertain by comparison the changes in retail prices and the cost of living in the various parts of the Dominion from time to time.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 22.—Prime beefs 6 to over 6½c per pound; pretty good animals, 4½ to 5½c, and the common stock 3½ to 4½c per lb. Milch cows from \$30 to \$60 each; springers, \$30 to \$50 each. Calves, 4½ to 8c per lb. Sheep, about 5c, and lambs about 7c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 9½ to 9¾c per lb.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Everything was bought up for local killing. A few picked, well finished steers and heifers sold up to \$6.25. Straight loads of good butchers sold at \$5.00 to \$5.80; medium at \$5 to \$5.50; bulls were strong at \$4.50 to \$5.30, and butchers' cows at \$4.35 to \$5.30. Manitoba feeders realized up to \$4.65. Sheep and lambs were firm at recent advances. Hogs—Selects, \$8.25, f.o.b., and \$8.50 fed and watered.

EGYPT'S PREMIER SHOT.

Seriously Wounded by a Student at Cairo.

A despatch from Cairo, Egypt, says: Boutros Pacha Ghali, the Egyptian Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, was shot and seriously wounded on Sunday by a student, who was arrested. The student fired five shots, three of the bullets lodging in the Premier's body. Two of them, however, inflicted only superficial wounds. The bullets were extracted, and it is practically certain that the Premier will recover. The crime was entirely of a political nature, the would-be assassin being a Nationalist. He declared that his motive was a desire to avenge various acts of the Government, which the Nationalists attribute personally to Boutros Pacha.

THE RABIES EPIDEMIC.

Local Districts Call on Provincial Board of Health for Assistance.

A despatch from Toronto says: The epidemic of rabies is assuming serious proportions, according to reports to the Provincial Health Department on Thursday, which will be transmitted to the Federal department. Isaac Tetro, a farmer in West Elgin, had a fine bull and two horses bitten by a dog running wild the other day. On Wednesday the bull developed hydrophobia, and had to be destroyed. The two horses are now under treatment, and it is feared that they, too, will have to be shot. The Township Council of Stephen, in the county of Huron, held a special session on Thursday to devise means for coping with the alarming conditions in the locality. Several mad dogs have been killed and others got away. Many cattle have been bitten.

WOMEN FOR THE FARM.

Miss Binnie Clark Would Establish School to Train Them.

A despatch from London says: Miss Binnie Clark, a lady farmer, hopes to raise \$20,000 to form schools of agriculture for women in sections of Canada. Miss Clark suggests that the difficulty of obtaining sufficient reliable hired labor could be overcome by training women in the handling of farm implements. She urges the establishment of Government elevators at every wheat town.

VILLAGE DESTROYED.

Six People Were Buried Under the Ruins.

A despatch from Canaan, Crete, says: A severe earthquake was felt throughout Crete at 6.38 o'clock on Friday morning. It was accompanied with violent subterranean explosions. In this city a number of buildings were damaged, and a minaret of the mosque crashed through the dome. In the village of Varipetro a house collapsed, burying six persons in the ruins.

INSPECTION OF CANNED FISH

Next Endeavor of Government to Ensure Pure Foods.

A despatch from Ottawa says: That an adequate system of government inspection of canned fish of all kinds, produced in Canada for export or interprovincial trade, similar to that exercised over canned meats, will shortly be established under the control of the marine department, is the statement made by Hon. Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture.

WOOD ALCOHOL'S VICTIMS

Father and His Two Sons—Tragedy Near Castor, Alberta.

A despatch from Stettler, Alberta, says: Wood alcohol has been the cause of a tragedy near Castor in which two lives have been lost and a third is in grave danger. The victims were a father and two sons, named Sleen, who are homesteaders sixteen miles from Castor. They had been in the village last Saturday and purchased a quantity of wood alcohol from a chemist named Couch. After getting back to their cabin they drank it and the elder son went to sleep, never to wake. The father, after he managed to get to the other boy, who was also suffering from the effects of the drug, for a doctor. The doctor retained him at the village, where he is now recovering, but the old man was dead when assistance reached his home. The police are investigating.

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The Telephone Girl

This is the latest about the telephone girl from an unknown writer: The Telephone girl sits still in her chair, and listens to voices from everywhere. She hears all the gossip she hears all the news she knows she is happy and who has the blues. She knows of our troubles she knows of our strife she knows every man who is mean to his wife. She knows every time we are out with the boys she hears the excuses each fellow employs. In fact there's a secret 'neath each saucy curl of the quiet demure looking telephone girl. If the telephone girl told all that she knows it would turn all our friends into bitterest foes. She could get all our churches mixed up in a fight and turn our days into sorrowing nights; in fact she could keep the whole town in a stew if she'd tell a tenth part of the things that she knew.

Canadian Resources

The Hon. Clifford Sifton speaking of our natural resources before the Canadian Club at Halifax, urged the importance of guarding our forests and resources. "As things are going at present the United States," he said, would cut her last stick of timber in thirty years, and if then she turned to us we could only supply her and ourselves for seven years but if we preserve our forests on a scientific basis, as is done in Germany, we would have an ample supply for generations."

Manitoba, the best natural wheat district in the world, raises only 16 bushels to the acre because the land is not scientifically cultivated. Germany raises 27 1/2 and England 32. This, the Hon. Clifford Sifton, thinks shows the need of considerable horticulture education in Canada.

Minto

A few of our church members attended quarterly service at Bethesda appointment last Sunday.

We are very sorry that Mr. Burton Tucker is again on the sick list. Mrs. Stables remains in the same condition of health.

Miss Welsh of Prince Edward has been the guest of Mrs. Jas. Stout.

Miss Jennie Clements has returned home after a few days' visit with her cousin, Miss Russell of Rylstone.

Halloway

Mr. Jas. M. Scott leaves on Wednesday with a car for his home at Unity, Sask. Mr. Harvey Chisholm also starts at the same time, going farther to his new home in Alberta.

Mr. T. J. Kelly, Sr., is ill. Mrs. Harry Dufosse is suffering from inflammatory rheumatism, and Mrs. Fred Renshield is in very poor health with lung trouble.

Mr. Edward Maines and family are moving to Demarestville.

A concert is to be given in the L.O.L. hall on Friday night by local talent.

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ANCIENT MONTREAL FORT.

Forgotten Military Structure is Laid Bare by Workmen.

The ruins of an old French fort, the corner of St. Catherine and Mountain streets, Montreal, the fort, or rather outpost, was built of heavy cedar timbers. Originally it had a depth of about twelve feet, a height of ten feet, and a width of ten feet. The floor of the building was found in good condition, the side walls were somewhat shattered, and the greater part of the roof was missing. It is thought that the fort was the western entrance to the settlement, and that here a party was always stationed to be on the lookout for possible enemies. The building was constructed of heavy timbers, part of the bark being hewn away and the remainder left as a covering. In the centre of each of the timbers on the side walls were large wooden pins. No nails were used in the construction of the building. The land surrounding the fort is yet filled with springs, and it is thought that a canoe route as well as a path passed this block. The foundation of the fort had been laid on the thick clay about two feet below the surface. After the fort was deserted earth piled over it by landslides and washouts from the mountain to such a height that it is now five feet below the surface.

The timbers are in nearly perfect condition, being preserved in the moist soil. The marks of the axe are still plain on those which have been hewn. Many opinions prevail as to the age of the fort, but it is certain that the building is one of the first put up on the island.

In the soil directly above the fort stood, until recently, a giant elm tree over a century old. Some of the roots of this tree had spread around the side walls of the fort so that the building was well over the century mark. The workmen who made the discovery were not aware of the probable historical value of the building. They tore down the side walls so that now only the flooring remains in its original position. The other timbers have been saved, however, and after further investigation regarding the fort, it is probable that it will be reconstructed. A number of antiquaries and the general public have been interested in the discovery. It is expected that further research will bring forth some relics which may determine more accurately the age of the little building. Near the base of the fort, some distance away, was found a huge boulder of "blue stone," weighing about twelve tons, was found embedded in the clay. The discovery was made by workmen excavating for the new Ogilvy building.

House of Keys.

As an illustration of the variety of experience the public service of Canada represents it is interesting to know that the newly-appointed clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, Mr. John Robert Cowell, J.P., is a veteran official of the Government of the Isle of Man, of whose unique Parliamentary institutions readers of "The Deemster" and kindred books have some idea. Besides being a member of various Government departments, in the Isle of Man, Mr. Cowell was for over twenty years a member of the picturesque "House of Keys," the popular branch of the Legislature under the British rule where the work of legislation is hodge-podge of various formalities than that of the Isle of Man. For instance, bills, after having passed both Houses are signed by the members, and then sent for the Royal Assent. The signatures must include those of a clear majority of both branches of the House. Keys, thirteen out of the complete membership of twenty-four. After receiving the Royal Assent, bills do not become law until they have been promulgated in the English and Manx languages on the Tynwald Hill and a certain number of copies of the bill are distributed to the Speaker of the House of Keys. After his long public service in a country where such exceptional respect for formality is enforced, Mr. Cowell, as the chief officer of the Alberta Legislative Assembly, is not likely, without a vigorous protest, to allow any of the supposed free-and-easy tendencies in the far west to interfere with the maintenance of Parliamentary decorum in Alberta's infant Parliament.

Branch of the Choate Family.

It is not generally known that a branch of the Choate family, which has been prominent in United States political and diplomatic affairs ever since revolutionary times, is living in Canada—in the Niagara district and British Columbia—the descendants of United Empire loyalists who demonstrated their attachment to British institutions by abandoning their home in the new republic to take up lands in the then Canadian wilderness. This fact has been brought to notice by the return to the British Columbia Legislature at the recent general election of one descended on his mother's side from the Canadian Choates. The gentleman in question is Mr. James P. Shaw, whose mother (she was born near Hamilton, Ont.) was Marie Jane Choate. In response to enquiries, Mr. Shaw states that there is no question as to the connection of his mother's family, with the United States Choates, her ancestors having come from the same district as theirs. Mr. Shaw, who is a farmer, was born in Glanville Township, Ontario, and taught school for two years in Brant, before going to British Columbia in 1888.

Codfish Leather.

Everybody has heard of the Newfoundland fisheries, but the fact that the skins of the codfish are being converted into leather will be news to most people. Mr. E. D. Arnold, the Canadian trade commissioner at Bristol, has received a sample of cod-skin leather, manufactured by Mr. J. Clouston, from St. John's, Nfld. It is a soft tan, and apparently durable as well as pliable.

CANADIAN TREASURES.

Montreal Home of D. R. McCord is an Aladdin's Cave.

There is probably only one private house in all Canada in which a fire would prove a national calamity, says a writer in The Toronto Globe. That house is in Montreal and it shelters the quaint, the most delightful of all, the most original, and the most interesting Canadian gentleman it has been my lot to meet. David Ross McCord is his name, and if you ask him his profession he will tell you he is Canada's only salmon-fly maker—part of the description requires a little explanation, especially as he happens to be entitled to put the letters M.A., B.C.L., and K.C. after his name. He is not a salmon-fly maker in the sense in which good old Isaac Walton was. His salmon-flies—the term is his own—take the form of bagging letters of the most alluring description and of the highest literary polish. With these as his bait he is constantly getting the most exciting sport, quarry, and game as a pastime. This sport has become a perfect passion with him—so much so that, although he is a King's Counsel, he will be no more known to posterity as a lawyer than Isaac Walton is known as the London linen-draper that he was. Coming of a legal family of much distinction in the city of Montreal and the Province of Quebec, and being himself a man of unusual gifts, ready wit, and great culture, Mr. McCord could undoubtedly have piled up a big fortune if he had chosen to devote himself with a single eye to glory in the legal profession. But then "Pooh! what's money, after all?" That is what he says. His fortune answers his desires, so, like Isaac Walton, he withdraws from the crowded haunts of men, and takes wholeheartedly to "the excellent art of angling."

Unlike Isaac Walton, however, he does not distribute his catches among his friends. Every fish that he has landed during close upon half a century's ardent angling has been jealously seized and carried off home to be preserved. As a result, his house has long since become a museum, crammed with a collection of "catches" of extraordinary variety and value.

To put it plainly, Mr. McCord, who was born with the attributes of a historian, started out with the lastable desire of preserving for posterity the landmarks in Canadian history. Then he became seized with the collecting mania and gradually got possession—very largely by means of the aforesaid salmon-flies—of almost every portable thing of historical value on which his eyes ever rested. Now he aspires to get his collection housed in a public building, and officially called "The National Museum of Canada."

What is more, he says that, in Rooseveltian phrase, he will do it or bust. As his collection is one of great educational as well as literary value, he wants it to be made available to as large a public as possible. Thus, he intends that its permanent home shall be in either Montreal or Toronto. Let it be given official standing as "the National Museum," and he will bestow it as a free gift on the city. He does not care which. First comes, first served. The house where this collection is at present stored stands among the trees on the mountain slopes just off the Cote des Neiges road, in Montreal. It is an imposing structure, not unlike a Grecian temple in appearance; indeed, the resemblance is acknowledged by the owner in giving it the name of "Temple Grove." When I called at Temple Grove a short time ago, the owner, a dapper little man in shirt-sleeves, with an alert, inquiring air, and an odd look of youthfulness, despite his grey hair and beard, answered the door. The information I had called to get I obtained in about ten minutes; yet I was close upon three hours before I got away—or wanted to. I was shown room after room crammed with historic treasures. Every cupboard in the place was filled with them; every table and every chair was piled up with them; every wall was hung with them. Something or other of value in connection with almost every great event in the history of Canada seemed to have found its way here. There were Indian relics innumerable, historical documents by the score, ancient costumes and family newspapers cuttings, the best part of a century's portraits, pictures, autograph letters, rare old books, and so on by the hundred. To attempt to give even a partial list of this remarkable collection would be impossible.

She Can Sail Any Ship.

Mrs. Agnes J. Connell is the only woman in America who has papers permitting her to navigate a steamer of any class in any ocean. She is known all over the world, for a steamer is her only home, and she has sailed everywhere with her husband, Capt. William J. Connell. She was born in the Thousand Islands, and grew up with the youth whom she later married. For a while she stayed at home while he made voyages, but she soon tired of that, and for the past twenty-two years she has sailed with him.

As a result of her knowledge and experience in seamanship, Mrs. Connell received her sailing master's certificate from the port of San Francisco in 1901. She is an accredited pilot for the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River, and also holds a Government license entitling her to navigate any kind of a craft in any waters. At any time she can relieve her husband, if necessary, handling the big 5,300-ton steamer with ease. On one occasion they ran into a spell of rough weather, accompanied by an almost impenetrable fog. After the captain had spent three days and two nights on the bridge without sleep she forced him to get below, and brought the ship into port herself.

Pearls In Oysters.

While eating oysters at the residence of Stephen Wilcox, 438 Shaw street, Toronto, Miss M. Weston found five pearls in one oyster. They were about the size of buckshot. A jeweler will be asked to pass opinion on them. All seemed to be perfect.

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A Free Trader.

The new member for North Essex, Oliver J. Wilcox, in his maiden speech in the House the other day, gave some interesting reminiscences of other days in that constituency. Among them was the story of Mr. McGreggor, the Liberal candidate in 1896, who made his campaign on an absolute free trade policy. He called upon the people to rise in their might and drive thence the customs officers stationed along the Detroit River.

The day after the Liberal victory of 1896 many of the electors who had listened to Mr. McGreggor's free trade speeches and had probably voted for him, journeyed to Detroit and returned heavily laden with purchases. They flatly refused to pay a cent of duty. Their free trade cause had won, was their answer.

To crown all this, the same Mr. McGreggor was later himself appointed a customs official.

Welsh Man Arrested as Lunatic.

A Welsh immigrant who visited the immigration hall was arrested on a charge of insanity the other day. He was gestulating wildly, and no one seemed to be able to understand him or to make him understand them. It developed that he had been only trying to make himself understood in his native tongue.

The great question is not so much what money you have in your pocket as what you will buy with it.—Ruskin

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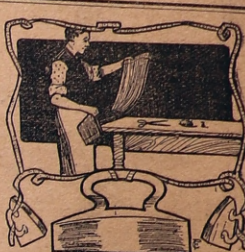
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